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'MILITARY TALKS POSITIVE', INDIA-CHINA JT STATEMENT

Both sides agreed not to turn differences into disputes, a joint statement by the two armies said on Tuesday

BOTH SIDES AGREE TO CONTINUE TALKS

The two sides deliberated on ways to disengage from various friction points in eastern Ladakh during the marathon talks in Chushul on the Indian side of the Line of Actual Control on Monday. Indian and Chinese troops are locked in a stand-off in eastern Ladakh for over five months now. Both sides also agreed to continue talks through military and diplomatic channels

CHINA OPPOSES DEVELOPMENT IN LADAKH

- Reacting to Defence Minister Rajnath Singh inaugurating 44 new bridges in border areas, China said India's infrastructure push is the root cause of problems between the two countries
- "China does not recognise Ladakh UT and Arunachal Pradesh," Chinese foreign ministry spokesperson Zhao Lijian said | P9

12 hours

DURATION OF THE SEVENTH CORPS COMMANDER-LEVEL MEETING ON MONDAY

CHENNAI • MADURAI • VIJAYAWADA • BENGALURU • KOCHI • HYDERABAD • VISAKHAPATNAM • COIMBATORE • KOZHIKODE • THIRUVANANTHAPURAM • BELAGAVI • BHUBANESWAR • SHIVAMOGGA • MANGALURU • TIRUPATI • TIRUCHY • TIRUNELVELI • SAMBALPUR • HUBBALLI • DHARMAPURI • KOTTAYAM • KANNUR • VILLUPURAM • KOLLAM • WARANGAL • TADEPALLIGUDEM • NAGAPATTINAM • THRISSUR • KALABURAGI

HC's stinker on denial of dignity in death to victim

Asks why Hathras DM has not been transferred yet; directs UP govt to draw up a draft policy on dealing with such situations in future

NAMITA BAJPAI @ Lucknow

COMING down heavily on the Uttar Pradesh government over the hurried cremation of an alleged gang-rape and murder victim in Hathras in the dead of night, the Lucknow bench of Allahabad High Court called it an infringement of human rights of the victim and her family.

In its 11-page order a day after hearing the victim's family and senior officials - after taking suo motu cognisance of the matter - a division bench comprising Justice Pankaj Mithal and Justice Rajan Roy directed the state authorities to draw up a draft policy to deal with such situations is future.

"The facts and circumstances, as of now, ex facie, reveal that the decision to cremate the victim in the night without handing over the body to the family members or their consent though in the name of law and order situation, is prima facie an infringement upon the human rights of the victim and her family," it said.

"We do not at this stage find any good reason... as to why they could not hand over the body to the family members for some time, say for even half an hour, to enable them to perform their rituals at home and thereafter to cremate it either in the night or next day."

The court said that the victim was, at least, entitled to a decent cremation. "Cremation is one of the 'Sanskars' i.e., antim sanskar recognised as an important ritual which could not have been compromised taking shelter of law & order situation," the court said.

The question, the court said, was whether the hasty cremation — in the wee hours without showing her face to the family and not allowing them to undertake the necessary rituals — amounts to gross violation of fundamental/human rights. "If so, who is responsible for the same so as to fix their accountability and liability and how the family of the victim be compensated for it," the order said.

The bench took Prashant Kumar, ADG (Law and Order) to task over his claim that the rape was not proved, as the FSL report did not show any traces of semen on her body. It said no officer, who is not directly connected with the investigation, should make any statement in public on the offence based on evidence collected as it can lead to unnecessary speculation and confusion amongst the masses.

"No one should indulge in character assassination of the victim just as the accused should not be pronounced guilty before a fair trial," the order read, adding the probe agency and the courts should be allowed to determine them. P9

SHARP POSERS

Hathras SP was transferred but not the DM. Why different yardsticks for two district officers?

Why did Prashant Kumar, ADG (Law and Order), Lucknow, cite the FSL report to make the no-rape claim when he was not directly connected with the probe, which is still pending?

Isn't the police aware of the amendments to the definition of rape in 2013, which says mere absence of semen is not conclusive evidence in rape cases?

GST: Karnataka can borrow ₹9,018 crore

ANUSHA RAVI @ Bengaluru

THE Union government on Tuesday granted permission to Karnataka to borrow ₹9,018 crore to offset GST compensation losses.

Karnataka was one of the first states to push for open market borrowing under Option 1 provided by the GST Council. On Tuesday's GST Council meeting, state's representative and Home Minister Basavaraj Bommai highlighted the immediate need for compensation as the state is hard-pressed for investment in both plan and non-plan expenditure. The Centre has approved borrowings barely a day after.

"The Government of India showed its commitment by reducing the estimated growth from 10 per cent to 7 per cent, which will provide an additional loan facility of ₹1,000 crore to the State Government from ₹11,432 crore to ₹12,400 crore," Bommai said.

Karnataka had even suggested that the Council can recommend to the Centre to permit states to borrow as per the provisions of Article 279 (4) (h) of the Constitution.

Insisting that additional borrowing will not burden the state, Bommai had said, "Who repays is more important than who borrows. Under this option, the repayment of both principal and the interest is done from the cess collected in the fund and there is no burden on the state."

WILL MOVE SC: KERALA FM

Kerala Finance Minister Thomas Isaac said on Tuesday that Kerala will move Supreme Court along with the nine other states that have opposed the Centre's twin borrowing options

CENTRE ALLOWS 20 STATES TO RAISE ₹68,825 CRORE

ANURADHA SHUKLA @ New Delhi

A day after the GST Council meeting failed to arrive at a consensus on how to bridge the GST revenue shortfall, the Centre on Tuesday allowed 20 states to raise ₹68,825 crore through open market borrowings.

These states had agreed with the first option given by the Centre to borrow money under a special RBI window.

The 20 states are: Andhra Pradesh, Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Bihar, Goa, Gujarat, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Odisha, Sikkim, Tripura, Uttar Pradesh and Uttarakhand.

"Additional borrowing permission has been granted at the rate of 0.50% of the Gross State Domestic Product to those states that have opted for Option 1," a Finance Ministry statement read.

At the press meet on Monday after the inconclusive GST Council meeting, Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman had said, "Just because there is no consensus, it does not mean no decision can be taken."

Eight states are yet to exercise either of the two options mooted by the Centre. The Finance Ministry statement said, "Action on the special borrowing window is being taken separately", which means the government is in no mood to negotiate any further on the issue.

The ministry had on May 17 provided additional borrowing limit of up to 2% of GSDP to the states. The final instalment of 0.5% (out of the 2% limit) was linked to carrying out three out of the four reforms stipulated by the Centre. However, to sweeten the deal, the Centre said it will waive the reform conditions in the final instalment in view of the Covid pandemic.

HIDDEN AGENDA

AG goes after TV trial of pending cases

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

EXPRESSING concern over the unbridled commentary by the electronic media on sub-judice matters, Attorney General **K K Venugopal** said on Tuesday this is being done to influence judges and public perception.

"Today, when I watch TV, I see comments about the bail application based on statements made to police. Channels play conversations when a bail plea is coming up, causing damage to the accused," the AG told a bench headed by Justice A M Khanwilkar, which had assembled to hear a contempt petition against advocate Prashant Bhushan. The charges pertain to Bhushan's interview to *Tehelka* magazine in 2009 in which he said half of India's CJIs till then were corrupt.

Venugopal cited the Rafale case, pointing out how articles appeared in some papers on the same day the court was to hear petitions against the deal. "This issue needs to be addressed as well," the AG said.

Widespread riots on the night of August 11 in DJ Halli | FILE PHOTO

DJ Halli riots: Former mayor Sampath Raj named conspirator

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

FORMER Bengaluru Mayor Sampath Raj has been named as one of the key conspirators in an incident where Pulikeshinagar MLA Akhanda Srinivasa Murthy's residence was torched on August 11. The Central Crime Branch (CCB) police, who are investigating the case, have submitted a preliminary chargesheet to the court naming 60 people, including Raj, as accused.

The chargesheet has been filed in connection with an FIR based on a complaint registered by MLA Murthy, who had alleged that the arson had damaged movable and immovable properties worth ₹3 crore.

The police have registered more than 50 FIRs in connection with the DJ Halli riots, in which three people were killed in police firing after the mob set fire to the MLA's residence, DJ Halli and KG Halli police stations, besides torching over 600 vehicles, including police buses, jeeps and vans.

A senior police officer said that this chargesheet is related only to the case filed by the MLA and the process of preparing chargesheets in other FIRs is on.

"We have enclosed digital and material evidence along with the chargesheet to establish Sampath Raj's role in the incident. We have gathered clinching evidence to prove his involvement," the official said.

"Sampath Raj wanted to see an end to Murthy's political career as they both nursed political rivalry for the last few years and he was waiting for an opportunity. On August 11, taking advantage of the sacrilegious post on social media by Murthy's nephew Naveen, Raj allegedly conspired to create a law and order problem and tarnish Murthy's image," the official added. P5

PULAKESHINAGAR MLA SEEKS MORE PROTECTION

After CCB named former Mayor R Sampath Raj as a conspirator in the violence, Pulakeshinagar MLA Akhanda Srinivasmurthy said he plans to approach the state government for more protection. "I might need more protection. I will discuss this with our party leaders and approach the CM or Home Minister Basavaraj Bommai for the same," he added. P5

Trolled Tanishq chickens out, nixes interfaith ad

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

HIGH-END jewellery brand Tanishq on Tuesday withdrew an advertisement promoting interfaith marriage a day after it was severely trolled on social media. Tanishq said its decision was driven by the fact that the advert had drawn 'divergent and severe reactions'.

A section of the social media users alleged it was promoting 'love jihad' — a term used by hardline Hindutva groups to characterise Muslim men who allegedly entice Hindu girls to fall in love with them in order to promote religious conversion. And their #BoycottTanishq was trending. Among those who trolled it was Bollywood actor Kangana Ranaut, who alleged it promoted 'love jihad' and 'sexism'.

Released on October 9 to promote the jewellery line Ekatvam (oneness), the video documented how a Muslim family was preparing for the baby shower of their Hindu daughter-in-law. The idea was to celebrate the coming together of people from different walks of life and celebrate the beauty of oneness, said Tanishq, which is part of the Titan group.

Academics and activists condemned the withdrawal.

Feminist historian Uma Chakravarti said, "This is typical of the market which may think something is trendy and acceptable, but not standing up to its own philosophy later."

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Bypolls: BJP picks Muniratna, Rajesh

ANUSHA RAVI @ Bengaluru

AFTER a prolonged delay, the BJP on Tuesday announced its candidates for the November 3 bypolls – N Muniratna will contest from Rajarajeshwari Nagar, and Dr Rajesh Gowda from Sira.

Both candidates are new faces for the party. While Muniratna, a former Congress MLA, was one of the rebel legislators who jumped ship to the BJP in 2019, contributing to the collapse of the JDS-Congress coalition government, Dr Rajesh Gowda is the son of former Congress MP from Chitradurga C P Mudalagiriappa.

Muniratna's candidature comes on the day a Supreme Court bench comprising Chief Justice Sharad Bobde, Justice AS Bopanna and Justice V Ramasubramanian dismissed special leave petitions filed by BJP State Unit Secretary Tulasi Muniraju Gowda. Gowda had challenged Muniratna's election in the 2018 assembly polls. As soon as the legal hurdle in Muniratna's candidature was struck down, the BJP announced his name for the RR Nagar bypoll.

The BJP state core committee had unanimously agreed on Muniratna's candidature as a matter of fulfilling the commitment given to him for his role in bringing the BS Yediyurappa-led BJP government to power in the State. The BJP hopes to sail through the RR Nagar bypoll, given Muniratna's clout and party cadres. The Congress has fielded political newbie H Kusuma, while JDS has chosen local unit chief Krishnamurthy here. P4

EXPRESS READ

PDP chief Mehbooba Mufti released

Srinagar: PDP president and former chief minister of Jammu and Kashmir Mehbooba Mufti was released on Tuesday night as the Union Territory administration revoked the Public Safety Act charges against her, more than a year after she was detained following the abrogation of special status of the erstwhile state. P9

Kangana booked by Karnataka police

Bengaluru: A case has been registered against Bollywood actor Kangana Ranaut in the Tumakuru district over her tweet allegedly targeting farmers protesting against contentious central farm laws, police said on Tuesday.

GP polls must be held by year-end: State told

Bengaluru: Even as the State Government is pushing for further postponement of gram panchayat elections, the Karnataka State Election Commission has informed the government that the local body polls have to be held in 2020. P7

ALL'S WELL...

BSY plays peacemaker; warring ministers put up show of unity

Ministers B Sreeramulu and Dr K Sudhakar approach the Chief Minister's residence in Bengaluru on Tuesday | EXPRESS

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

A day after a miffed B Sreeramulu walked out of Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa's residence over reallocation of his portfolio, the latter has brokered a truce -- at least on the face of it -- between his two warring ministers.

The CM held talks with Sreeramulu and Dr K Sudhakar on Tuesday morning and convinced them to put up a united front, especially since the state is set to witness bypolls to two Assembly seats. In an attempt to send across the message that all is well, the Chief Minister's Office even shared videos of the two ministers -- who have been at loggerheads ever since the Covid-19 pandemic broke out -- walking together in the lawns of the CM's residence. After his talk with Yediyurappa, Sreeramulu finally agreed to accept the Social Welfare portfolio and even changed his social media handle's bio accordingly.

The ministers, who spoke to the media after the truce meeting, claimed that there were no differences or hard feelings between them, but not without subtle taunts at each other.

"All of us are putting in our efforts under the leadership of the Chief Minister to bring Covid-19 under control. We are trying to do all that we can beyond our strength. When Sudhakar took over the responsibility of Covid-19 management in Bengaluru, there were 1,000 cases per day, but now there are about 5,000 every day. That doesn't mean he too has failed," Sreeramulu quipped when asked if the change of portfolio was a result of his failure as Health and Family Welfare minister. P4

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ALMANAC TODAY
• Wednesday: 14/10/2020 • Year: Sarvari • Ayana: Dakshinayana
• Ritu: Sharad • Masa: Adhika Ashwayuja • Paksha: Krishna • Tithi: Dwadashi 8:08 am
• Nakshatra: Purva Phalguni 6:40 pm • Moon in Kanya Rashi • Rahukaala: 12:00 pm to 01:30 pm
• Gulikakala: 10:30 am to 12:00 pm • Yamaganda: 07:30 am to 09:00 am

BENGALURU WEATHER
MIN 19°C | MAX 25°C
FORECAST
Sprinkles early. Mostly cloudy

Sunrise 6.09 am
Sunset 6.01 pm
Moonrise 3.32 am
Moonset 4.18 pm

Will reclaim ill-kept CSR parks: BBMP

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

THE Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) has decided that parks and medians which have not been maintained well by private firms, under the CSR initiative, will be taken back.

At a meeting chaired by BBMP Commissioner N Manjunath Prasad and Administrator Gaurav Gupta, the two officials took stock of the condition of parks and playgrounds and stated that parks should not just look attractive, but be well-maintained. "Their natural and aesthetic beauty, along with their uniqueness, should be well taken care of as some of them are in a bad condition," the Commissioner pointed out, adding that special preference should be given to Freedom Park, JP Park, the MG Road Boulevard and government parks.

"Most medians have been taken over by private firms for maintenance, under the CSR initiative, but they are not looking nice and are poorly maintained. Engineers and Horticulture and Forest Department officials should take stock of them, review them, and if found to be badly maintained, they should be taken back from the private firms, with their licences cancelled," he added.

According to BBMP records, there are 1,352 parks under BBMP limits, of which 1,118 have been developed and 234 are yet to be developed.

COMING SOON...

Workers at a theatre in Majestic fix the seating area in preparation for the reopening on October 15. The government has allowed single-screen theatres to open after months of being shut down following the Covid pandemic | SHRIRAM BN

PIL seeks ban on vehicle entry inside Cubbon Park

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Bengaluru

ACTING on public interest litigation filed by Cubbon Park Walkers' Association seeking ban of vehicular movement inside the park, the Karnataka High Court on Tuesday issued a notice to various authorities of the state government.

A division bench comprising Justice B V Nagarathna and Justice N S Sanjay Gowda ordered a notice to the Chief Secretary, Home Department, Urban Development Department, and the Horticulture Department, after hearing the petition.

The petitioner has stated that movement of vehicles wasn't permitted in view of the lockdown restrictions and also to ensure cleanliness and greenery of the park. If vehicular movement is allowed inside the park now, public interest will suffer, he alleged.

In view of this, the petitioner requested the court to issue a direction to the Chief Secretary to implement the recommendation made by the Directorate of Urban Land Transport and thus Cubbon Park be closed for vehicular traffic, including parking of the vehicles."

In response to the representation submitted by the petitioner, the Directorate of Urban Land Transport, on September 2, recommended to the Horticulture and Sericulture Department not to allow vehicles and parking of vehicles inside the park, the petitioner claimed.

EXPRESS READ

ORR Metro Line: Two firms emerge lowest bidders

TWO firms, Afcons and Shankaranarayana, have emerged the lowest bidders in bids made by nine companies to build one section of the Phase 2A Line. The tenders for the 18.2-km stretch between Silk Board and KR Puram was called in December last year in two packages. BMRCL MD Ajay Seth said, "The bids opened today (Tuesday). Financial evaluation is yet to be carried out." After the awarding of tenders, the firms will have 27 months to complete the line. ENS

B.Com exam now on Oct 17, students stranded

PEARL MARIA D'SOUZA
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OUTSTATION final-year B.Com students of Bangalore University, who were in Bengaluru to write their final semester examination, as mandated by the UGC, were left stranded after their paper was postponed for a third time.

The exam for the sixth semester B.Com 6.2 Principles and Practice of Auditing (CBCS), scheduled on October 12, will now be conducted on October 17, between 9.30am and 12.30pm, institute officials said on Tuesday.

After several postponements owing to the pandemic, the final paper was to be held on September 28, and was put off due to a state shutdown and farmers' protests. When it was finally scheduled for October 12, the paper was leaked just a few hours before the examination.

"Some students had come with their parents, due to the Covid-19 pandemic, and were set to leave after the final examination," a B.Com lecturer said. "It was an ordeal for the students. In some cases, students seated in the examination hall were asked to leave, and were confused. Only later did they learn that the question paper had been leaked," the lecturer said, lauding the registrar's hasty decision to cancel the examination.

"Students were in for a shock, most of them didn't know why the paper was called off after being advanced so many times, and it was difficult to convince them. About 20 per cent of our students are from outside the city and are facing a lot of difficulty," said an official from New Horizon College in the city.

Exam centres have received stricter instructions for the rescheduled examination on October 17. "We are expected to record the opening of the bundles," said a faculty member.

Not wearing mask? You may have nowhere to hide

Palike gets tough; Marshals will check commercial buildings too

BOSKY KHANNA @ Bengaluru

BRUHAT Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike marshals and the police, who were so far enforcing the mandatory mask rule only on roads and in parks, will henceforth keep any eye on people even in commercial establishments like shops, malls, hotels and restaurants.

The decision was taken by the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) and the city police in the light of the rising cases of Covid-19 and the feedback from citizens. The civic body has also decided that it will not go easy on people any more as enough awareness drives have been conducted.

Palike Chief Health Officer Dr B K Vijendra said that directions were issued to marshals and police officials to conduct checks in commercial spaces also. They will visit stores randomly and check on people not wearing masks and penalise them. The health officer pointed out that compulsory wearing of masks and social distancing are the only ways to contain the spread of the virus and urged citizens to comply.

Palike officials added that many citizens' groups too had given them information regarding violation of the mask rule in places like grocery stores, malls, salons and other commercial spaces. "It has been observed that not only on roads, but citizens are not wearing masks even when visiting commercial places. They do not realise that it is more dangerous in closed spaces and densely populated areas. People tend to take off their masks as soon as they enter a commercial space. Those owning or working in commercial spaces are also not wearing masks," a marshal said.

The police also pointed that people come up with excuses for not wearing a mask inside a commercial space when they are caught.

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>
> BBMP marshal

Health workers at a fever stall set up by an NGO on Dharamaraj Koil Street in Bengaluru on Tuesday | VINOD KUMAR T

Random test drives in high-risk areas

BOSKY KHANNA @Bengaluru

DON'T be surprised if BBMP health officials accost you while walking down to a department store and ask you to go to the nearest mobile health centre or the primary health centre for Covid-19 testing.

The BBMP and the Health Department have decided to take up random testing drives in wards where the positivity rate is higher than the state average and the number of Covid-19 cases are on the rise.

Such a trend has been observed in Shivajinagar ward and CBD areas where the footfall is high. Based on the ward-wise data on the number of cases, similar aggressive random Covid-19 testing will be taken up. The BBMP's zonal and joint commissioners have been entrusted with the responsibility of carrying out this task.

According to BBMP records, in Shivajinagar ward, on an average, 450 positive cases are being reported daily since the last two weeks and the positivity rate is around 25-30 per cent. This is much higher than the state average of 13-14 per cent. According to the ICMR guidelines, the average should be under 10 per cent.

"Apart from making testing compulsory for ILI and SARI cases, those with comorbidities and primary and secondary contacts, we are also making it compulsory for those in commercial areas to get themselves tested. Also, depending on the number of cases, testing is being made aggressive in wards where many cases are reported. More testing will help in early detection of cases," BBMP Special Commissioner (Health), Rajendra Cholan, told TNIE.

> Many are opposing the initiative, with some even terming it as harassment. But they do not realise that it is for their own good
>
> BBMP official

Another official explained that testing has been intensified in Shivajinagar, J C Road, Commercial Street and other such pockets because of the lack of social distancing, not wearing masks, violation of health and hygiene rules and because of the heavy footfall.

"Many are opposing the initiative, with some even terming it as harassment. But they do not realise that it is for their own good. We are also working on setting up temporary testing clinics in such places. The rising number of cases needs to be reduced and aggressive testing is the way forward," explained a senior BBMP official from Shivajinagar.

Daily Starscope

PETER VIDAL

14th October: As promised, here's some more information about telescopes. If you were to buy one for yourself, the minimum size would be a 'four inch'. That doesn't refer to its length, but to the mirrors and magnification equipment. With such a piece of equipment you will be able to see Saturn's rings and Jupiter's moons - and your life will never be the same again!

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr. 20)
A clash or confrontation with an employer, or someone in a position of authority is almost inevitable, and may be desirable. The best possible outcome is that your advances will be welcomed. If you receive a rebuff, then work out how to do better next time.

TAURUS (Apr. 21 - May 21)
Today's beneficial Moon is somehow special, but it confers on you a duty to be virtuous in every respect. Your standards cannot be allowed to slip, and if they do then you may be the first to lose. Don't criticise others too harshly, at least not until you've had a chance to explain yourself.

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)
So much now depends on the outcome of a current wrangle over finances. Of course, if you don't care what other people think, and have no worries about the future, you may be as extravagant as possible. You really have to take a cool look at your own circumstances and decide what is best.

CANCER (June 22 - July 23)
You appear to be experiencing a make-or-break situation as far as one emotional tie is concerned. Be aware, though, that such connections may be to places or institutions rather than purely to people. The main issue could be your reluctance to let go of the past. Perhaps now is the time to wave farewell to your memories.

LEO (July 24 - Aug. 23)
Deep down you must know that the time has come when you must put your money where your mouth is. Only when other people have enough regard for you to come in on equal terms will you know that a particular project is worthwhile. And, once you've established clear goals, you'll be much happier.

VIRGO (Aug. 24 - Sept. 23)
Rightly or wrongly, you are renowned for being super-efficient, but to say that you should now be able to turn almost any situation to your own advantage may sound like flattery. However, with the Moon making such a helpful aspect to Jupiter, this is precisely what we must say.

LIBRA (Sept. 24 - Oct. 23)
The recent past appears to have been coloured by flared tempers and tense situations, probably connected with other people's failure to observe proper decorum. For the next four weeks exploit every little opportunity to get your point across as ruthlessly as possible.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)
You don't have to do everything yourself, and you may allow others to push ahead on your behalf. However, you should not attempt in any way to persuade them to go against their own interests. It is not for you to expect others to make a sacrifice.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 - Dec. 22)
Some financial or business matters seem to have become too much of a hassle, perhaps because certain group ventures have gone off the rails, or if friends have inadvertently undermined your confidence. There may still be time to back out if the price tag seems too high.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23 - Jan. 20)
You still need to tie up a few loose ends on the work front and ensure that others really will come up with all they promise to provide. However, you may have to accept now that other people must be allowed to drop out of their commitments. A little kindness will be appreciated!

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)
Don't overreact to what is said on the home front by people who frankly should know better. It's not them talking - it's that old emotional Moon sending warnings of romantic turbulence around the corner. As long as you sense how others are feeling, you can take evasive action.

PISCES (Feb. 20 - Mar 20)
Powerful alignments involving Jupiter, planet of freedom and independence, are telling you that there really is a way out of a long-term emotional dilemma after all. All you need to do is make up your mind! And then, of course, you'll have to communicate your wishes to others.

THE PHANTOM

THIS IS REALLY VERY SIMPLE, MRS. SAHARA.... THE WALKERS CAME TO ME ON YOUR BEHALF.
I PUT THEIR NAME ON BOX '1'...
SO I WOULD KNOW THE MATTER REFERENCED BY ANY COMMUNICATION RECEIVED THERE.
OH!! IT'S... SO OBVIOUS!
ONCE YOU KNOW....
YOU DID WRITE QUITE A CRYPTIC LETTER. NO MENTION OF KADIA, SIGNED WITH AN ALIAS...
WHEN YOU ADDRESSED IT TO "WALKER," YOU TOLD ME WHO YOU REALLY ARE!

HI AND LOIS

BEETLE BAILEY

WHAT'S THIS?!
SOMEDAY WE MAY HAVE TO FIGHT IN EXTREME WILDERNESS CONDITIONS
I THOUGHT WE MIGHT NEED A CONSULTANT
GRIZZ & ASSOC.

BLONDIE

BEG PARDON, CAN YOU SPARE A FIFTY-DOLLAR BILL?
A FIFTY-DOLLAR BILL?!
WHAT DO YOU TAKE ME FOR?
OBVIOUSLY, I'M TRYING TO TAKE YOU FOR A FIFTY-DOLLAR BILL

LOCKHORNS

DENNIS THE MENACE

Test your number crunching skill with our unique puzzle

SUDOKU

6					1		8	
8			7		4			6
	9	5				1		
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	1							2
		6				2	4	
1			3		7			9
	5		2					7

MEDIUM

- Fill in the grid with digits in such a manner that every row, every column and every 3X3 box accommodates the digits 1 to 9, without repeating any.
- Each sudoku has a unique solution that can be reached logically without guessing.

Solutions to Yesterday's puzzle

8	3	4	9	7	2	1	5	6
7	2	1	5	4	6	9	8	3
9	5	6	1	8	3	7	2	4
6	8	5	3	9	7	2	4	1
3	9	2	6	1	4	8	7	5
1	4	7	2	5	8	3	6	9
5	7	9	8	6	1	4	3	2
4	6	3	7	2	9	5	1	8
2	1	8	4	3	5	6	9	7

JUMBLE

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME
By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

SERSP
CRAKT
TOSOHM
VANDEI

How have you been? I haven't seen you on the trails for a while.
I guess we just keep missing each other.
THE HIKERS HADN'T SEEN EACH OTHER IN YEARS UNTIL THEY ---

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(Answers tomorrow)

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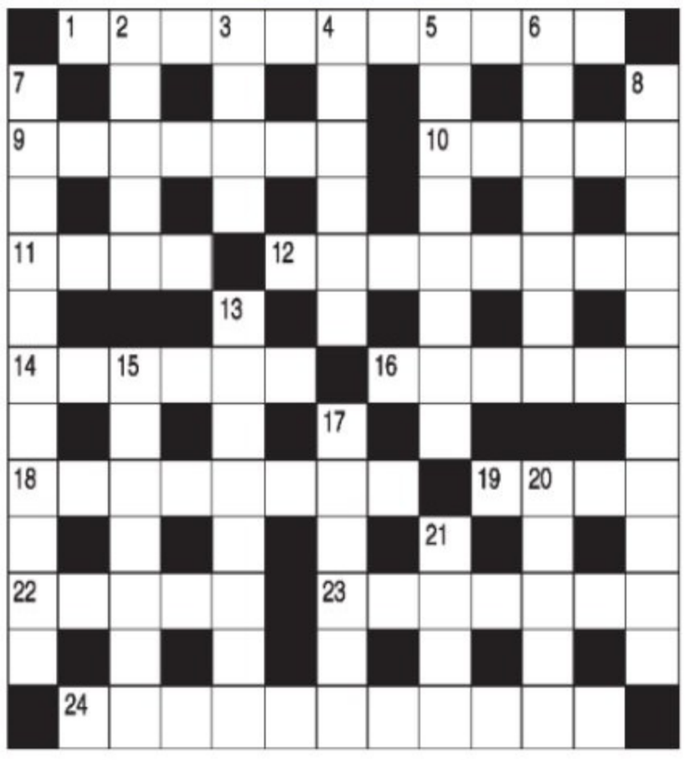

ACROSS

1 A fete for a growing political group? (6,5)
9 Such matters are usually kept secret (7)
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12 One's life is disrupted by crimes (8)
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18 A top duet perhaps, right in fashion (2,2,4)
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24 A tailor may make his mark with it (6,5)

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2 Worthy of respect though not entirely legal (5)
3 Spot the sign of a faulty washer (4)
4 Made a home for a good man in want (6)
5 One means of making a garden attractive (8)
6 Rushing madly from Tangier (7)
7 Whichever way you look at it, it adds up to the same thing (5,6)
8 It takes liquid refreshment and leaves (3,8)
13 A worker has fallen, but pass on (4,4)
15 A muscle that turns up or down (7)
17 Smell some of the least enchanting odours (6)
20 She's a fairy queen to the Spanish (5)
21 Produce a work of art from scratch (4)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTIONS

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B'luru fares poorly on active cases, deaths

IFFATH FATHIMA AND RANJANI MADHAVAN @Bengaluru

IN less than a month, the number of active cases in Bengaluru increased by 23,982. It now has the highest moving growth rate (MGR) in terms of active cases, compared with five other mega cities in India. Its mortality MGR is also the highest.

Between September 12-October 10, total active cases in six mega cities were 18,709, according to an analysis by Jeevan Raksha, an initiative of management consultancy Proxima. While Bengaluru's active cases increased by 23,982, Chennai and Kolkata saw cases rise by 2,932 and 2,362 respectively. In contrast, cases in Ahmedabad declined by 691, in Mumbai by 3824, and in Delhi by 6,052. Bengaluru's moving growth rate was the highest at 59%. The moving growth rate is the speed at which the active cases or mortality cases increase.

Bengaluru is second-best on testing among the six cities, after Delhi, but unlike the national capital, its MGR is high. "Ramping up testing increases the cases, which is ideally right. But the containment strategy and clinical management (need attention) to reduce the active cases growth rate. The containment strategy in the city should be improved. For this, we need to trace contacts better. For every positive patient, three primary contacts and three secondary contacts need to be tested. For 10,000 positive cases now, 60,000 contacts must be tested, but where is the manpower to do it? In Delhi, the highest testing is done, but active cases are -6052 (which is a decline of active cases from August), as they have been able to test, trace, and isolate contacts," said Sanjeev Mysore, convenor of Jeevan Raksha Project.

However, Dr K Sudhakar, Minister who is heads covid management in the state, denied that the rise in active cases was due to poor contact tracing, and said the number had increased as testing had been ramped up. "People have become complacent and are not following rules. The negligence is a big obstacle to breaking the chain. Primary and secondary contacts should strictly adhere to guidelines and get themselves tested," he said.

Mortality Growth Rate

Sanjeev said the rise in the MGR for mortality corresponds with a rise in active cases. Bengaluru's mortality MGR is 39%, followed by Kolkata 27%, Delhi 22%, Mumbai 16%, Chennai 15%, Ahmedabad 5%. "If active cases keep increasing it will be a challenge," he said.

Dr Sudhakar, however, said Bengaluru's death rate stands at 1.17%, which he said is far better than other cities. "People with symptoms, especially comorbidities and elderly citizens should get themselves tested early so that treatment can be administered. Our aim is to reduce the mortality rate to less than 1% and we are taking all measures to ensure that," he said.

'We can manage Covid better now'

One head for relevant depts helps: Sudhakar

BANSY KALAPPA @Bengaluru

IN a minor cabinet rejig on Monday, Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa allocated the health portfolio, held by B Sreeramulu, to Medical Education Minister K Sudhakar. "Having both departments under one minister will further streamline the government's efforts to fight Covid-19," Sudhakar told TNIE in an interview on Tuesday. Excerpts:

Medical education and health are two different departments. How will you handle both?

Health and medical education departments are integral to each other. Earlier, it was under one ministry and many expert committees have suggested that these departments should be under one minister for better coordination. District health officers would report to the health department and heads of medical colleges to the medical education department. This caused a lack of coordination, and now having both departments under one minister will further streamline the government's efforts to fight Covid-19.

In March-April, there were four ministers dealing with Covid management. Now, you are alone.

After we started unlocking, cases started increasing in July, and the government had to work on a war-footing to deal with it. At that time, the CM had allocated work between ministers -- one was setting up of Covid Care Centres, another handling private hospitals etc to ensure a quick turnaround. Now most of the efforts are streamlined.

The Congress has said this reshuffle amid the pandemic shows the government has failed.

The numbers speak. Karnataka on Sunday, recorded its lowest mortality rate and also its highest recovery rate since the pandemic broke out. The state recorded a mortality rate of 1.40 per cent, which fell from 2.08 per cent on July 20, and a recovery rate of 81.66 per cent, way higher than 35.29 per cent recorded on the same day in July. Opposition parties should stop doing politics over the pandemic, and should cooperate with the government.

There are many complaints of Covid-19 patients scouting for Remdesivir in the private market because some unscrupulous doctors were giving them 1-2 shots and selling the other four shots in the open market for up to Rs 10,000 per injection...

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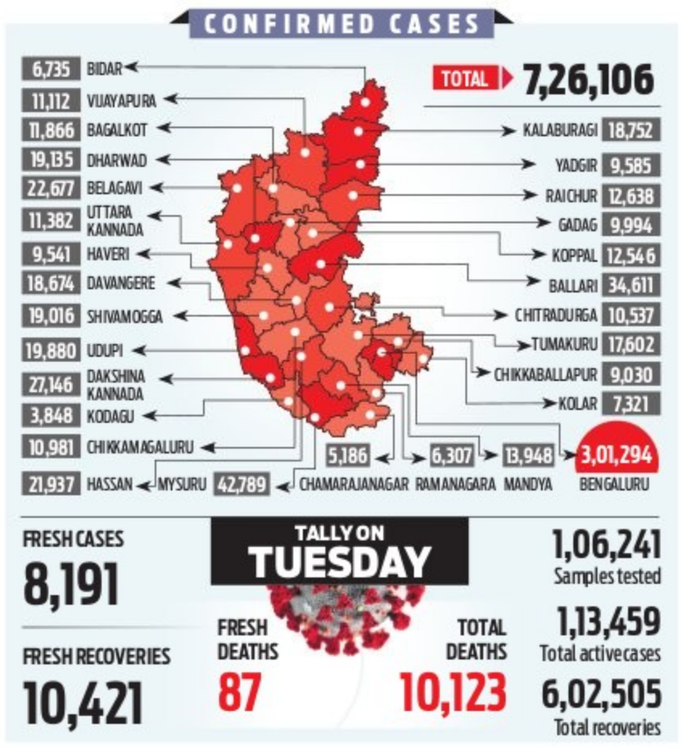

CM calls meet to tackle B'luru crisis

BANSY KALAPPA @Bengaluru

BENGALURU'S galloping Covid numbers are giving the government sleepless nights. After handing over the health ministry to Dr K Sudhakar, Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa is getting ready for more drastic measures to deal with the crisis.

He has called for a meeting of all 28 city MLAs, the BBMP commissioner, officials, chief secretary and additional chief secretaries on Wednesday afternoon, to review the overall Covid management.

Bengaluru Urban district has been consistently posting a high number of cases, often crossing 5,000 in a single day.

The CM has expressed concern about Bengaluru in earlier meetings, and divided the city into eight zones to help manage the pandemic.

Complaints of corruption and mismanagement have also plagued the system. To this, Sudhakar said, "The government will not tolerate attempts to exploit people. I request the people and media to bring such incidents to the notice of the government."

'Can govt handle Covid disaster?'

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

CITING the spike in Covid-19 cases in the last few months, the Karnataka High Court on Tuesday asked the state government to announce whether the authorities concerned should be in the state of preparedness to deal with a disaster, as contemplated under the Disaster Management Act.

While hearing a batch of PILs, a division bench of Chief Justice Abhay Shreeniwas Oka and Justice Aravind Kumar directed the state to inform whether any exercise had been done to assess the number of beds required in future, considering the increase in Covid cases. The government must take a call on increasing the number of beds, it added.

The bench directed the state and district-level experts committees to look into the availability of ambulances and submit a report. The court asked the state if any centralised mechanism and any scientific assessment is made to make ambulances available to the needy. The bench also directed the BBMP to submit reports after visiting 64 private Covid hospitals.

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DSS activists took out a protest rally against the Hathras rape and murder case on Tuesday. They submitted a memorandum to the President urging him to dismiss the Yogi Adithyanath government

SREERAMULU AGAIN DEMANDS HIS BERTH RIGHT — DEPUTY CM'S POST

Minister says he's capable of handling Social Welfare ministry and DyCM post simultaneously

ASHWINI M SRIPAD @Bengaluru

MINISTER and senior BJP leader B Sreeramulu who has been given the Social Welfare Department seems to be still eyeing the Deputy Chief Minister post. Sources from the Chief Minister's Office said Sriramulu was upset and even expressed his unhappiness before the CM as his portfolio was changed without his consent. He reportedly said he wouldn't have minded if the portfolio was changed during a cabinet reshuffle. And he had placed his old demand to make him DyCM. During the 2018 elections, the party had projected Sreeramulu as DyCM.

Speaking to TNIE, Sreeramulu said, "I had held the Health portfolio in 2008 too. From day one, I have been for change and wanted Social Welfare Department. I want to work for the socially backward people."

On the Deputy CM post, Sreeramulu said it was an old demand. "I am capable of handling Social Welfare and the Deputy CM post simultaneously. I have experience. It is up to the party to decide and hope they will go by people's demand," he said. Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa has reportedly assured him to make him the DyCM in future.

Sreeramulu is a powerful leader from the Valmiki community, that constitutes a large chunk of Karnataka's population. Soon after he was inducted in the cabinet and given the Health portfolio, Sriramulu in an earlier interview with TNIE had said there were 60 lakh people from his community across the state and it was their demand to have their representative as Deputy Chief Minister.

Just three weeks ago, Sreeramulu had placed a chit at the Durga Devi temple in Yadgir where he had expressed his wish of becoming DyCM. At the time he told the media that whatever he had written on the piece of paper was between him and the Goddess. However, later the temple priest revealed that he had placed a political request — of wanting to become the Deputy CM.

Ministers K Sudhakar and Sreeramulu called meet Chief Minister BS Yediyurappa, in Bengaluru on Tuesday

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>
> B Sreeramulu, Social Welfare Minister

Nayaka forum flays minister's 'snubbing'

Mysuru: Rallying behind Minister B Sreeramulu, Nayaka community leaders from Mysuru took objection to the alleged attempts to sideline the Nayaka strongman and threatened to take out a rally till the Chief Minister's residence, if he was not made a Deputy Chief Minister at the earliest. Nayakara Hitharakshana Vedike state president Dhyavappa Nayaka said that not only did the CM break his promise of giving Sriramulu the DyCM's post, he also demoted him by stripping him of two portfolios and has given him only one. "This is not an insult to Sriramulu alone, but the entire Nayaka community," said Dhyavappa. ENS

Supporters upset over portfolio change

ENS @Chitradurga

THE portfolio reshuffle effected by Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa a couple of days ago has sparked anger among the followers of Social Welfare and Backward Classes Minister B Sreeramulu, and become a handy tool for the opposition in the district. Both camps are raising a common issue: Sreeramulu's demotion.

His followers at Molakalmuru have requested the State government to give the health ministry back to Sreeramulu, along with social welfare. They said that he was instrumental in bringing change in the health department by starting the 108 emergency ambulances, and had visited every hospital in the state, held meetings and improved services.

President of the Akhila Karnataka Sreeramulu Abhimani Sene B Vijay said, "It has damaged the image of Sreeramulu, and our leader is consistently targeted. He was promised the DyCM post, but the high command didn't fulfil it," he said.

'Always wanted Social Welfare Ministry'

CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

MINISTER B Sreeramulu insisted that he was glad to head the Social Welfare ministry, a portfolio that he had always wanted.

Not the one to ignore the subtle jibe, Sudhakar too said it was the right decision to merge both ministries under him. "Nowhere in the country are Health and Medical Education two different ministries. It cannot be. The set-up was causing problems at the grassroots level since some officers had to report to the Health minister while others had to report to the Medical Education minister. Now that problem is solved and decision-making will be more effective," Sudhakar said.

IN CONVERSATION

'It's straight fight with Cong's TBJ, but confident of win'

DEVARAJ B HIREHALLI @ Tumakuru

THE BJP nominee for the Sira bypoll, Dr C P Rajesh Gowda, might be a debutant in electoral politics, but has seen it from close quarters. His father Chirathahalli Mudalagiriyappa was three-time Lok Sabha member from Chitradurga and represented Sira as MLA for one term. His uncle, P Mudlegowda, too was Independent MLA from Sira for a term.

Until his Matrix Imaging Solutions, in which former Chief Minister Siddaramaiah's son Dr Yathindra was a director, ran into a controversy after it bagged the tender for setting up a laboratory at Victoria Hospital in Bengaluru in 2016, Rajesh Gowda was in the shadows.

The BJP, which was in the opposition then, had opposed the tender being given to Matrix, and on the Congress high command's directive, Siddaramaiah had asked Yathindra to quit the company.

Rajesh Gowda talks about his personal equations and his political challenges: Excerpts:

Dr C P Rajesh Gowda

Bengaluru boy

Dr C P Rajesh Gowda (47) did his MBBS and MD at the Adichunchanagiri Institute of Medical Sciences. He was born and brought up in Bengaluru and studied II PUC at Seshadripuram College. His wife, Dr M U Tejaswini, is a pathologist who looks after Matrix Imaging Solutions that Rajesh founded. The couple has two school-going daughters.

■ Is Dr Yathindra, the Congress MLA from Varuna, still in touch with you?

We are close friends, but ideologically poles apart and hence, I didn't take up the Congress party membership. It's been a long time since we spoke to each other. When the controversy erupted during 2016, he resigned as director from my company. Now, my wife Dr M U Tejaswini, a pathologist, looks after it.

■ The BJP then had opposed the tender given to your company.

Yes, but we did not get into the business overnight. Also, we bagged the tender for quoting the lowest bid and the PPP model laboratory has helped thousands of people. Our's is a NABL-accredited laboratory and we have set up facilities even at the ESI Hospital at Rajajinagar in Bengaluru and in Mumbai during 2009.

■ This is your debut in electoral politics. What challenges do you see?

This is the first time I have taken membership of any political party and I am pleased to be a BJP worker. There are a lot of issues that need to be resolved in the constituency in the remaining two-and-half years of the term. This means there will be a lot of responsibilities on my shoulders as people's expectations are also high since the BJP is in power.

■ What are your priorities?

The top-most priority will be to get a permanent irrigation project implemented as there are none in this arid region. Wherever I have visited, people in the villages have stressed on the need for irrigation facilities.

■ What prompted you to take the political plunge?

I have been into social service for several years now. Anybody from Sira who visits my laboratories in Bengaluru for any kind of medical investigation, can get it done free of cost. There was pressure from the people of the constituency that I should take my social service initiatives to the next level.

■ Who do you see as your biggest opponent?

It's definitely the Congress party's T B Jayachandra. It will be a straight fight between us and I am confident of winning as people want change.

■ Jayachandra has alleged that your father and uncle did not contribute much to Sira as MP and MLA. How will you respond?

I refute this charge. Wherever I have visited, the people pointed to the work my father and uncle did, including welfare programmes. I used to miss my father as he always used to be amongst the people. Moreover, those days, the grants for MPs and MLAs were also less and, despite the limitations, they did a lot for the people.

BYPOLL BATTLE

Revanna to file papers for Ammajamma

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Tumakuru

JDS leader H D Revanna will file nominations papers on behalf of party nominee Ammajamma (60), wife of former minister B Sathyanarayana, to contest the Sira bypoll, on Wednesday.

Hospitalised for Covid-19, Ammajamma is due to be discharged by Wednesday evening.

Revanna has fixed the 'muhurtha' for filing of papers at 1.52pm.

Revanna, his son and Hassan MP Prajwal Revanna, former ministers Bandeppa Kashempur and Basavaraja Horatti, and former CM H D Kumaraswamy's son Nikhil will be visiting Sira to take part in a rally before the nomination is filed.

RR Nagar candidates to file nominations today

BENGALURU: With Friday being the last date to file nominations for the bypolls, candidates from the three major parties for RR Nagar are all set to file their nomination papers on Wednesday.

JDS' official candidate Krishnamurthy V will file his nominations papers at the BBMP office in RR Nagar at 10.30 am in the presence of former CM and party legislature chief HD Kumaraswamy. Congress candidate H Kusuma will file her nomination papers for her debut election at 11.45 am. BJP candidate N Munirathna will file his papers at 9.30 am. Ramalinga Reddy, who is in charge of RR Nagar polls for Congress, and former minister Krishna Byregowda, will be present. ENS

K'taka has good environment for new industries, BSY tells Piramal group

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bengaluru

CHIEF Minister B S Yediyurappa on Tuesday extended full cooperation to Piramal Group, which is willing to invest in the pharmaceutical sector in Karnataka.

During his virtual meeting with the Piramal Group chairman Anand Piramal, the CM said Karnataka has the best environment for manufacturing, export, research and packaging in the pharmaceutical sector, and many reputed firms, including Biocon, are based in the state. "If there are any issues, they will be resolved immediately," the CM told Piramal during the meeting, and invited the firm to invest in the state.

Yediyurappa said the state government has taken a number of initiatives to attract investment. "Karnataka has a conducive environment for establishment of new industries and the state government's new industrial policy is also aimed at providing the best environment for growth of the industries across the state," he added.

Shettar meets Consul General of South Korea

Young-Seup Kwon (left in picture), Consul General of the Republic of Korea (South Korea), called on Shettar at Vidhana Soudha on Tuesday and held discussions about investment opportunities in Karnataka. Principal Secretary for Commerce and Industries Gaurav Gupta and Udyog Mitra Managing Director D Revanna Gowda were also present in the meeting. ENS

Industries Minister Jagadish Shettar explained various reforms taken up by the government and opportunities for investing in the state.

Earlier, speaking to TNIE, Shettar said reforms initiated by the state government are now showing the results. "A total of Rs 1,38,000 crore investment proposals have been approved this year, and we are Number 1 in the country in terms of attracting investments. Industries are very happy with the reforms initiated by the government," he said. "Firms are showing interest in investing in all the sectors including manufacturing, FMCG and pharma," he said, adding that the government was encouraging companies to invest in tier-II cities of Karnataka.

Chorus grows for giving ticket to Angadi's kin

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Belagavi

SOME BJP leaders from Belagavi are desperately lobbying for a party ticket to contest the bypoll for the Belagavi Lok Sabha seat. The bypoll is necessitated after the death of Union Minister of State for Railways Suresh Angadi recently. However, several top leaders including Minister for Major Industries Jagadish Shettar and Water Resources Minister Ramesh Jarkiholi have come out openly in support of Angadi's wife or daughter Shraddha, demanding a BJP ticket to either of them.

Shettar is keen to have his daughter-in-law Shraddha, as the candidate while many other leaders want the party to field Angadi's wife, Mangala. While the list of BJP ticket aspirants is getting longer, the name of Ramesh Jarkiholi's son Amarnath, has been receiving tremendous support from netizens for the past few days. But Ramesh has clarified that his son was not in contention. "I will want my sister Mangala (Angadi's wife) as the candidate," he said.

Most relatives, supporters and close friends of Angadi have rallied behind Angadi's wife and daughter. Angadi's close relative Lingaraj Patil met BJP state president Nalin Kateel demanding a ticket for one of the family members. With none from his family in active politics, it remains to be seen if the BJP top leadership considers their demands.

The party top leadership is unlikely to buckle under pressure, for it is keen to have a leader who is capable of retaining the Belagavi LS seat held by Angadi for four terms starting 2004.

Late Union minister Suresh Angadi with his wife and daughters

NEW IN THE GAME

BJP's Rajesh Gowda joined party recently

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IN Sira, the party chose newcomer Dr Rajesh Gowda, despite heavy lobbying by former candidates BK Manjunath and SR Gowda. Incidentally, Gowda is a close aide and former business partner of Opposition leader Siddaramaiah's son and Varuna MLA Dr Yathindra.

In 2016, the BJP had made allegations that Dr Rajesh Gowda and Yathindra's firm had benefited from nepotism and misuse of the Chief Minister's office. Rajesh Gowda joined the BJP barely weeks ago and will take on TB Jayachandra (Congress) and Ammajamma (JDS). The BJP core committee has appointed eight in-charges for Sira alone, including Deputy Chief Ministers Govind Karjol and Dr Ashwath Narayan, State General Secretary N Ravikumar, BY Vijayendra, MP PC Mohan, A Narayanaswamy, Poornima Srinivas and Thippeswamy.

Arvind Limbavali, R Ashok, ST Somashekhar, Byrathi Basavraj and SR Vishwanath are appointed in-charge of RR Nagar bypolls.

UNDER COVID SHADOW

Political events can now be held indoors, but only 50% get entry

ASHWINI M SRIPAD @Bengaluru

WITH a relaxing of lockdown constraints, indoor political campaigns and events are now kosher. Except that seating capacity in auditoriums will be restricted to 50 per cent, and the number of people is not to exceed 200 at a time.

With Karnataka going in for its first election amid the pandemic, State Election Commission officials are making elaborate arrangements to ensure that candidates, their supporters and people attending rallies follow social distancing norms.

Earlier, the number of people at an outdoors rally was restricted to 50, but the authorities are now planning to increase the number.

Karnataka Chief Electoral Officer Sanjiv Kumar told The New Indian Express that new norms are being put in place for indoor events, and like cinema theatres, alternate seating will be followed. Unlike earlier, there will be no crowds and processions for filing of nominations, which begins on Wednesday. The number of people accompanying the candidate is also restricted.

District authorities have started identifying places for public speeches, and circles will be drawn to maintain social distancing.

For the first time, postal ballot is being allowed for voters who are vulnerable. Traditionally, only two categories of people were given the postal ballot option – those in the defence forces, and those on election duty.

Sanjiv Kumar said that booth-level officers personally visited houses of voters who are over 80 years old in RR Nagar and Sira constituencies. Forms will be given to these voters to fill before the actual voting. This is not compulsory, but the option is open to them. Those who are willing, can visit the booth and vote.

Robbers attack bizman at home, steal mobile Three masked men barged into the residence of a businessman, Srinivas Naidu, at RR Nagar and attacked him with an iron rod on Tuesday. The trio, who intended to rob his house, broke in through the terrace door. They fled with a mobile phone, but no other valuables

State to have new Law and Order ADGP next month

Reshuffle on cards as DGP Prasad, ACB Addl DGP Suneel to demit office on Oct 31

BALA CHAUHAN @Bengaluru

THERE will be a reshuffle in some key IPS postings in the State as two senior officers are due to retire this month. A M Prasad, Director General of Police and Chief of Fire & Emergency Services, Home Guards, Civil Defence & State Disaster Response Force (SDRF), and T Suneel Kumar, Additional Director General of Police, Anti-Corruption Bureau (ACB), will demit office on October 31 on superannuation.

Prasad belongs to the 1985 batch of IPS and is the senior most IPS officer in Karnataka. Suneel, former Police Commissioner, Bengaluru City, is from the 1989 IPS batch.

The senior most ADGP, Amar Kumar Pandey, who is presently in charge of law and order of the State, will be promoted as DGP on October 31 and will be replaced by an ADGP rank officer.

Pandey is from the 1989 batch of IPS and is credited with the extradition of the notorious underworld don Ravi Pujari in February this year. Pandey had arrested Pujari on February 22 in Senegal and had brought him to Bengaluru two days later.

ADGP, L&O is considered the next important post after the DG & IGP. The code of conduct for the Assembly bypolls on November 3 will not impact the promotion of the officers.

Later this year, R P Sharma, DGP and Chairman of Karnataka State Police Housing Corporation, is due for superannuation in December. He belongs to the 1987 batch of IPS. ADGP, Forest Cell, Ravindranath of 1989 batch, is due for promotion as DGP around the same time.

MLA says he's more scared now

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

AFTER the Central Crime Branch (CCB) filed the chargesheet naming former Bengaluru Mayor R Sampath Raj as one of the key conspirators in the DJ Halli riots case, Pulakeshinagar MLA Akhanda Srinivasamurthy said that he is scared and is planning to approach the government to seek more security.

The CCB's chargesheet is related to an FIR on the torching of the MLA's house on the night of August 11.

Akhanda Srinivasamurthy

Akhanda Srinivasamurthy told *The New Indian Express*, "The attack was unexpected. As an MLA, I used to visit every ward in my constituency and also interacted with Sampath Raj. When one known to you can do this, it is possible that someone holding a grudge against me can attack me again."

The government had given police protection to the MLA after the incident. "I may need more security. I will discuss it with our party leaders, including Siddaramaiah, and approach Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa or Home Minister Basavaraj Bommai for upgraded security," Akhanda Srinivasamurthy added.

'Evidence piles up against Raj'

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"He (Sampath Raj) conspired with his personal assistant Arun, car driver and others, and instigated people to torch the MLA's house. We also have evidence to prove that he was just a few metres away from the MLA's residence when the incident took place. He also made several phone calls to those directly involved in the arson. All these crucial details with evidence have been mentioned in the chargesheet," the officer said, adding that Raj motivated the other accused to commit the offence with an ulterior motive, but gave it a colour of mob violence. The police had earlier arrested Raj's PA Arun and also summoned Raj twice for questioning. It is learnt that Raj has been hospitalised, but his arrest is imminent, once he is discharged.

A NATION IN SHOCK

Activists from the All-India Democratic Women's Association and other groups hold a candlelight vigil at Thyagaraja Nagar, protesting against the alleged Hathras gang rape and murder case, in Bengaluru on Tuesday | SHRIRAM B N

MIGRANTS CAUGHT TRAVELLING ON FORGED MILITARY WARRANT

S LALITHA @Bengaluru

TEN migrant workers who reached Bengaluru by the Guwahati Express from Assam, were caught travelling on a forged military warrant on October 8. The workers had boarded the train at New Jalpaiguri in West Bengal.

The warrant is a pass issued by the Ministry of Defence for its personnel, permitting them to travel on a zero-rupee ticket on Indian Railways. The fact that the military warrant was forged, which is a serious offence, came to the light only on Tuesday.

A senior railway official told *The New Indian Express*, "Following a tip-off that passengers were travelling on S5 coach with forged documents, the Traffic Accounts Section and Railway Protection Force (RPF) raided the compartment as soon as it touched Cantonment around 9.30 pm. The group, aged between 35 and 50 years, conceded that they had identity documents, like Aadhaar, which were not their own."

"They were initially booked under The Railways Act, Sections 137 and 138. Each person was fined Rs 1,750. We collected their contact details and let them go," the official said.

The RPF had issued summons to them to appear on Monday.

"Further interrogation revealed that the military warrant was forged. They had paid Rs 10,000 to a person in their village in New Jalpaiguri, who had forged the warrant for them. The warrant can be given at any railway ticketing counter to get tickets without payment," an official explained.

The men claimed they were on their first visit to Bengaluru and were in search of work. "The Alipurduar Railway Division was alerted about the fraud, so the person issuing false warrants could be nabbed," the official added.

PUBLIC NOTICE

I, **Mrs. SATHYA SAVITHRI B. U**, Aged about 50 years, W/o Mr. Iyyappa B U, R/at No.57, Katha No.209, Sy No.87, Medahalli Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore. I have lost the Original Sale Deed Document No.BDH-1-00474/2009-10, CD No.BDHD 22, dated: 28.05.2009, regd, Deed of Discharge document No.BDH-1-05815-2009-10, CD No.BDHD 37, dated: 23.02.2010 & regd Equitable Mortgage by Deposit of Title Deeds document No.BDH-1-03249/2008-09, CD No. BDHD 21, dated: 30.03.2009 all are pertaining to Site No.57, Katha No.209 in converted Sy No.87, Vide Conversion Order No.ALN/SR.106/1960-61, in the Office of Thashildar, Doddaballapura, Medahalli Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore, now comes under the jurisdiction of BBMP, Bangalore. The said documents were lost when I was travelling in the bus. A Police Complaint has been lodged with regard to the Loss of the Said Sale Deed on 11.10.2020, vide Lost Report No.128091/2020. So I request the general public if any found the said original documents please inform and contact me in the above said address. Contact No: 9972200062.

PUBLIC NOTICE

My clients **SRI. RAJAN ROY**, 33 years, S/o. Parimal Roy, and **SMT. RIMI ROY**, 26 years, W/o. Rajan Roy, Both residing at No.14, 1st Floor, Lakshmi Market, Siddanna Lane, Cubbonpet, Bangalore-560002, are intending to purchase the Property mentioned in the Schedule from **1. SRI. VEERESH. M**, 37 years, and **2. SRI. SHYLESH.M**, 33 years, both are Sons of M. Mallikarjuna, Both residing at No. 41, Ganigara 'A' Lane, Siddanna Road Cross, Nagarathpet, Bangalore-560002. Anybody has objection/rival claim may file his claim before the undersigned with supporting documents within **FIVE (5) DAYS** If no rival claim/objection is received, my clients will proceed to purchase the property.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing Old No.45/1, thereafter No.57, **New Municipal No.41 (Forty One), PID No. 47-127-41**, situated at **Ganigara 'A' Lane, Siddanna Road Cross, Nagarathpet, BBMP Old Ward No.47, New Ward No.119, Bangalore,** and bounded on: **East by :** Property of Shivanna, **West by :** Property of Aswathappa, **North by :** Property of Maribasappa, **South by :** Road (Ganigara 'A' Lane)

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Sri G. V. VASUDEVA MURTHY, Advocate
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This is to inform the general public that my client **Smt. M. SAROJA** W/o. Y. Manjunath has agreed to purchase the below mentioned schedule property from **Smt. SUJATA SWAMY** W/o. Sri. B.V. Veerbhadra Swamy, who claims to be the absolute owner having a marketable and subsisting title. If any person/s having any claim, right, title or interest whatsoever over the schedule property and objections for the sale, if any, the same may be forwarded to the undersigned in writing with supporting documents within 10 days from the date of publication of this notice, failing which it will be deemed that there are no claims, right, title or interest by anybody whomsoever and there are "NO OBJECTIONS" for completion of the sale transaction and my client will proceed with the execution and registration of the absolute sale deed.

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All that piece and parcel of immovable Property built on Site No.38, formed by Karnataka Secretariat House Building Co-operative Society Limited, Bengaluru and formed in the lands of Survey No. 405 (2 & 3) and 406 (1 & 2), of Marenahalli Village, Bengaluru North Taluk. Now, under BBMP PID No. 35-12-13, Corporation 38/13, Old No. 35, Present No. 125 Ward, Bengaluru City Vijayanagara, KGS Layout, 2nd Cross, Bengaluru and measuring, **East to West: 31.0 Sq.feet, North to South: 44.0 Sq.feet,** Totally measuring 1364 Square feet, and bounded on the :

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TENDER NOTIFICATION (Through e-procurement)

On behalf of Administrator, CADA.UKP Bheemarayanagudi, the Executive Engineer, KBJNL FIC Division No.3 Almatti invites two cover system tender on percentage basis from KPWD Class-I Contractors for the works of **Surface & Sub-Surface Drainage works, Road works and Surface Drainage works under Head of A/c -4705 & 2705** as detailed in below.

1) Access to e-tender document and submission of completed documents from **14.10.2020 to 13.11.2020 up to 17.00 hours. 2)** Opening of Technical bid on **17.11.2020** at 11.00 AM **3)** Opening of Financial bid on **23.11.2020** at 11.00 AM

The contractors can request for e-tendering documents in **KBJNL web site** http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in/eportal/index.seam (Krishna Command Area Development Authority) link e-tender document on payment (non-refundable) towards the transaction fee. While applying the contractors can pay the transaction fee in the e-procurement portal using payment modes–1 Credit Card / Direct Debit / National electronic fund transfer (NEFT)/over the counter (OTC) during office hours.

Further information can be had from the undersigned during office hours on telephone No.08426 282134

Sd/- (K.S. Venkateshprabhu)
Executive Engineer,KBJNL, FIC Division No.3,Almatti.
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INVITATION FOR TENDERS
(Tender Notification only through E-procurement)

Tumkur Co-operative Milk Producers Societies Union Ltd., Tumkur invites E-Procurement tenders two cover system (Technical & Financial bid) from eligible tenderers for the supply of the material listed below:

Sl. No.	E-Procurement Tender No. & Date	Materials Details	E.M.D Amount Rs.
1	KMF/TCMU/PUR /2020-21/ IND8550 Dt: 01-10-2020	Supply And Installation Of Static Leg Tank CIP Station At Tumkur Dairy – 01 Unit.	3,00,000-00
2	KMF/TCMU/PUR /2020-21/ IND8551 Dt: 01-10-2020	Supply Of Pre-Printed Computer Sheets 10x12x3 Parts Sheet - 2,00,000 Sheets.	8,000-00
3	KMF/TCMU/PUR /2020-21/ IND8552 Dt: 01-10-2020	Supply Of Different Size Nandini Logo T-Shirts For Tumkur Market Area – 1,750 Nos.	17,500-00
4	KMF/TCMU/PUR /2020-21/ IND8553 Dt: 01-10-2020	Supply Of Different Size Nandini Logo T-Shirts For Mumbai Market Area – 750 Nos.	12,500-00
5	KMF/TCMU/PUR /2020-21/ IND8554 Dt: 01-10-2020	Supply Of Alcohol Based Hand Sanitizer – 7,000 Liter.	49,000-00
6	KMF/TCMU/PUR /2020-21/ IND8555 Dt: 01-10-2020	Supply of Membrane – 12 Nos.	12,000-00

1). Tender Schedule Downloading Date: **From 05-10-2020 to 04-11-2020 / 2.00 P.M.**
2). Last Date for Submission Of Tender: **04-11-2020 / 2.00 P.M.**
3). Time & Date of Opening of Technical Tender Bid (Cover-1): **05-11-2020 / 2.30 P.M.**
4). Web Site Address For E-tender: **www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in**

Sd/-
For Tumkur Co-operative Milk Union Ltd.,
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No.: KERC/M/03/Prudence check/20-21/631 Date: 13.10.2020

TENDER NOTICE

Karnataka Electricity Regulatory Commission, Bengaluru-560 052 invites Electronic Bids, under competitive bidding from eligible bidders for **LOT-2, LOT-4, LOT-5 and LOT-6** to avail consultancy services for conducting **Prudence Check of Capital Expenditure of BESCOM, GESCOM, CESC and HESCOM including HRECS in Karnataka for FY19 and FY20** from reputed and experienced consultants, as per the Scope of work and the Terms & Conditions as indicated in the Tender Documents.

The soft copies of tender documents may be downloaded and submitted through e-procurement portal **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** during the period from **14.10.2020, 11.00 a.m. onwards to 23.10.2020 before 4.00 p.m.** For further information, please contact helpdesk Phone Number: 080-22268677/78/79 of KERC.

Sd/- Secretary, KERC, Bengaluru

Department of Commercial Taxes
Office of the Assistant Commissioner of Commercial Taxes (Audit)-2.3, DGSTO-02, No.642, Pioneer Plaza, Ground Floor, Kenchenahalli Main Road, Raja Rajeshwari Nagar, Bengaluru-560098, Phone: 080-26994418, E-Mail: acctaudit23.bng@ka.gov.in

Date: 07.10.2020

ANNOUNCEMENT

Sri Avinash Jain S/o Goutham Chand Jain M/s Premier Impex, TIN: 29620819030 Ashapurana Nilaya, No-14/15,8th Cross, C Block, Magadi Road Left Side, Bangalore-560023 has not paid tax of **Rs.2,03,88,439/-** under the KVAT Act 2003 relating to the Financial Year 2011-12 to the Department of Commercial Taxes, and is now absconding.

Anybody providing information about this person, place of residence, phone number or any other information will suitably rewarded. This information can be furnished to the above address undersigned.

Sd/- Asst. Commissioner of Comml Taxes, (Audit) 2.3, Bangalore

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SHORT-TERM e-TENDER NOTIFICATION

The Executive Director, Karnataka School Quality Assessment and Accreditation Council, hereby invites short-term e-Tender from eligible bidders for the **Printing, Supply of "Hand Book of National and State award Teacher's Profile, innovative practices and achievements"** as per KTPP Act-1999, through e-procurement portal only. e-Tender document may be downloaded from **www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in** Tender commences on **13.10.2020** and the last date for submission **28.10.2020 at 4-00 pm.** Pre-bid meeting on **22.10.2020 at 12.30 pm.** Date of opening the technical bid is **02.11.2020, 12.30 pm.** The commercial bid will be opened on **07.11.2020, 4.00 pm.** Approximate value of this tender is **Rs.48,80,000/- (Rupees Fourty eight lakh eighty thousand Only).** The EMD is **Rs.98,000/-.** Other details can be seen in tender document.

Sd/- Executive Director, K.S.Q.A.A.C.

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Inviting Application for the post of Chief Executive Officer in Kerala IT Parks - Re-notification

State Government is looking for a highly qualified, dynamic and committed individual for the post of Chief Executive Officer, Kerala IT Parks (Technopark, Infopark and Cyberpark). The candidate is expected to have a clear understanding of the business dynamics of the IT industry, its global trends and have skills to interact and negotiate with global players in the field. The Chief Executive Officer is to strategize and support the expansion of IT sector in the State, work closely with the entire industry ranging from Start-ups, SMEs Multinational companies apart from developing a clear strategy for leveraging the existing infrastructure, evaluate strategic options and innovatively structure the IT sector in the post COVID era.

Requirements for the post:-

1	Educational Qualification	i Basic Degree in Engineering ii MBA (Full Time) / Executive MBA (Full Time) / 2 year PGDM (Full Time) / 2 year PGDBM (Full Time)
2	Experience	i 20 years overall experience, of which atleast 5 years should be in IT/ Electronics industry. ii At least 5 years of experience should be as head of a division / profit center / organization. iii Experience in IT/ITEs/infrastructure development industry desirable.
3	Age	Maximum age limit: 55 years as on the date of advertisement
4	Duration of enagagement	3 years
5	Remuneration	Will match the profile of the candidate and will not be a constraint for the right person

Last date of application for the post - **27th October 2020**

Format to Apply: Visit website: https://www.technopark.org/careers

N.B: Those who have applied on the basis of the Notification published on 01.07.2020, 02.07.2020 & 03.07.2020 in the website of the IT Parks and Newspapers must apply for the post as per re-notification.

Apply to: Secretary & Registrar, Park Centre, Technopark Campus, Thiruvananthapuram - 695 581, Phone: 0471-2700 222, **email: registrar@technopark.org**

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MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
No:REV/LAQ/NH/ 02/2020 **Dated:03-10-2020**

NOTIFICATION

New Delhi, the 7th August, 2020

S.O. 2658(E).-In exercise of powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 3A of the National Highways Act, 1956 (48 of 1956) (hereinafter referred to as the said Act), the Central Government, after being satisfied that for the public purpose. the land, the brief description of which is given in the Schedule below, is required for building (widening/four laning etc.,), maintenance, management and operation of National Highway No-150 in the stretch of land from Km 34.00 to Km 70.90 (Kalaburagi-Wadi-Yadgir Section) in the district of YADGIR in the state of KARNATAKA, hereby declares its intention to acquire such land.

Any person interested in the said land may, within twenty-one days from the date of publication of this notification in the Official Gazette, object to the use of such land for the aforesaid purpose under sub-section (1) of section 3C of the said Act.

Every such objection shall be made to the Competent Authority, namely, Assistant Commissioner and Special Land Acquisition Officer Mini Vidhan Soudha Chittapur Road Yadgir, in writing and shall set out the grounds thereof and the Competent Authority shall give the objector an opportunity of being heard, either in person or by a legal practitioner, and may, after hearing all such objections and after making such further enquiry, if any, as the Competent Authority thinks necessary, by order, either allow or disallow the objections.

Any order made by the Competent Authority under sub-section (2) of section 3C of the said Act shall be final.

The land plans and other details of the land to be acquired under their notification are available and can be inspected by the interested person at the aforesaid office of the Competent Authority.

Sd/-
(SHANKARGOUDA S. SOMNAL K.A.S)
Assistant Commissioner and Special land Acquisition officer
Kalaburagi Division, Mini Vidhansoudha Yadgir

SCHEDULE

Brief Description of the land to be acquired with or without structures falling within the stretch of land from Km 34.00 to Km. 70.90 (Kalaburagi-Wadi-Yadgir Section) of the National Highway No-150 in the state of KARNATAKA

State : KARNATAKA District :YADGIR

Sl. No	Survey/Plot Number	Type of Land	Nature of Land	Area (in Local Unit)	Area (in Hectare)
		Taluk: Yadgir			
		Village: Yargol			
1	335	Private	Agriculture (Dry)	0.0100000 (Hectare)	0.0100000
2	336/1	Private	Agriculture (Dry)	0.0910000 (Hectare)	0.0910000
			Total	**0.1010**	**0.1010**

DIP/Yadgiri/160/MC&A/2020-21

Sd/- RAJESH GUPTA
Dy. Secy.

Central Institute of Petrochemicals Engineering & Technology (CIPET) formerly known as Central Institute of Plastics Engineering & Technology (CIPET)
(Department of Chemicals & Petrochemicals, Ministry of Chemicals & Fertilizers, Govt. of India)
Head Office: Guindy, Chennai 600032.
E-mail : cipetdgoffice@gmail.com Website : www.cipet.gov.in

NOTICE INVITING E-TENDER
(Online) No.: CIPET_HO/Pur./Ten_03/2020-21

CIPET invites technical & commercial bids separately item-wise from the reputed suppliers / manufacturers for the supply & installation of R&D, Testing, Processing, Tool Room Machinery / Equipment & Software for various CIPET centres, Interested and eligible bidders are requested to apply through **e-tender** (online), website **www.tenderwizard.com/CIPET,** also visit CIPET website & CPPP for complete details on technical specification and commercial terms. *CIPET reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tenders either in part or in full without assigning any reasons thereof.*

Last date for the online submission of the bid	**: 03/11/2020, 03.00 p.m.**
Opening of Technical bids	**: 04/11/2020, 10.00 a.m.**
Opening of Commercial bids	**: After Evaluation of Technical Bids**

For further clarification, please contact 044 22254787, 788 & 22254780, Ext. 240
Principal Director (Technical)

UJVN LIMITED
H.O.: "UJJWAL" Maharani, Bagh, GMS Road, Dehradun - 248006
Telephone : 0135-2763808, Fax : 0135-2763508
CIN No. U40101UR2001SGC025866, Website: www.ujvnl.com

Letter No.: 634 **Dated: 12.10.2020**

Corrigendum No. 01 (Time Extension Notice)
e-Procurement Tender No: 01/EE(BBCGPP)/2020-21

Due to unavoidable circumstances, schedule dates of bidding for Engineering, Procurement and Construction (EPC) of 22 MW Co-Generation Power Project along with concurrent modernization of "The Bazpur Co-operative Sugar Factory Limited, Bazpur, Udham Singh Nagar, Uttarakhand" on Turnkey basis invited by office of Executive Engineer, (E&M-I) BBCGPP, UJVN Ltd. Kashipur, Uttarakhand-244713 are hereby extended as per following details:

1. **Last date for receipt of bids in the portal:** 19.10.2020 up to 17:00 Hrs.
2. **Last date for receipt of hard copies:** 22.10.2020 up to 17:00 Hrs.
3. **Date of opening of bids on the website:** 23.10.2020 at 11:30 Hrs.

Further details are available at the e-procurement portal **http://uktenders.gov.in**

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IDBI BANK
CIN : L65190MH2004GO1148838
Center Head,
IDBI Bank-RAC, Ashwini Complex,
No. 326, 6th Main Road, 80ft. Road,
Indiranagar, 560038

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that the Notice is hereby given that one of our customer **Mr.Deepak Garg** has deposited title deeds with **IDBI Bank Limited, Indiranagar,** Bangalore as security to secure housing loan of **Rs.40,00,000/-** with respect to his property as mentioned herein below, registered as **Sale Deed No 5048/13-14 dated 23-12-2013** of the Sub-Registrar, Shivajinagar, Bangalore for creation of Equitable Mortgage to secure the financial assistance granted by the Bank.

IDBI Bank Ltd. stored the documents at Stock Holding Document Management Services and the same were partially damaged in the fire accident on **December 11, 2017**. The title deeds with respect to the Schedule property specifically mentioned herein below were destroyed.

Hence, this is to inform the General Public at large in view of destruction of said documents, any claim by person/s, institution/s. etc., that they have the said title deeds in their custody / security shall not be taken as evidence and shall not be acted upon.

PROPERTY ADDRESS:

Flat No. 503, Fifth Floor, SAMHITHA REGENCY, Pai Layout, Beneganahalli, K RPuram Hobli, Bangalore -560016

Date : 13.10.2020 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place : Bangalore **IDBI Bank Limited**

KARNATAKA NEERAVARI NIGAM LIMITED
(Government of Karnataka Enterprises)
Office of the, Executive Engineer, KNNL, R&R Divn. Athani - 591 304

Tender Notification No:EE/KNNL/R&R/Dn/PB/TND/VE-3/Satti/Elec./2020-21/1219 Date:09-10-2020

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Through "e-procurement" only)

Electronic percentage tender through e-procurement platform in two cover system is invited by the Executive Engineer KNNL R & R Division, Atahni on behalf of the Managing Director Karnataka Neeravari Nigam Limited, 4th Floor, Coffee Board Building No:1Dr. B.R Ambedkar Veedhi, Bangalore-01 for the works of **1) Providing Electrifiation to Village Extension No.3 at Satti for the Satti village in Satti Section in Athani Sub-Divison in Athani Tq. in Belagavi Dist. in the name of The Executive Engineer, KNNL, R&R Division, Athani under self execution** 1) The blank tender documents can be obtained and uploaded through E-pocurement between **14-10-2020 @ 10.30 AM** to **28-10-2020** upto **4.00 PM.** 2) Last date for tender queries **21-10-2020** upto **4:00 pm** 3) Last Date for submission **28-10-2020** upto **4.00 PM** 4) Opening of technical bid on **02-11-2020** @ 11.00 AM 5) Opening of Financial bid on **10-11-2020 @ 11.00 AM** 6) Stipulated period-3 months including mansion 7) Amount put to tender for **1) Rs.67.67 lakhs** 8) Eligibility of Contractor- Class-I & Above Elec. contractor (Approved by Chief Electrical Inspectorate, Bangaluru). Any information required in this regard can be had from the E-procurement Portal **wwvv.eproc.karnataka.gov.in** and Office of the Executive Engineer, KNNL R&R Division Athani and this office Telephone **No.08289-285031** during office hours.

Sd/-
(R.G. Rathod)
Executive Engineer,
KNNL R&R Division, Athani.

DIPR/Belagavi/618/Manipal/2020-21

TAMILNADU MEDICAL SERVICES CORPORATION LTD.
No.417, Pantheon Road, Egmore, Chennai-600 008.
Phone : 28191890 / 28190259; Fax: 044 –28190636 E-Mail: equipment.tnmsc@tn.gov.in

INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING – TENDER EXTENSION NOTICE

1. The Tender due dates are extended as follows:

1) Tender No.PKG1/ICB/TNUHP/JICA/C2/RAD/TNMSC/ENGG/2020, dt.04.02.2020 - Digital X-ray Machine (4), Digital Radiography with Fluoroscopy (8), Mobile X-ray -100 mA (9), Computed Radiography Machine (5) & C-Arm Machine (19)	
2) Tender No.PKG2/ICB/TNUHP/JICA/C2/MAM/TNMSC/ENGG/2020, dt.04.02.2020 - Digital Mammography System (3)	
3) Tender No.PKG3/ICB/TNUHP/JICA/C2/USG/TNMSC/ENGG/2020, dt.04.02.2020 - Ultrasound Machine (5), Ultrasonogram Colour Doppler with 3 probes (18) & Portable Ultrasound Machine (6)	

Sl. No.	Sale period	Submission of Bids	Opening of Bids
1	Upto 04.11.2020	05.11.2020, 11.00 AM	05.11.2020, 12.00 PM
2	Upto 05.11.2020	06.11.2020, 12.00 PM	06.11.2020, 01.00 PM
3	Upto 05.11.2020	06.11.2020, 03.00 PM	06.11.2020, 04.00 PM

For details visit **www.tenders.tn.gov.in** and TNMSC website **www.tnmsc.tn.gov.in.**

DIPR/3816/Tender/2020 **General Manager (Equipment)**

PUBLIC NOTICE

ICICI Bank
Branch Office: ICICI Bank Ltd. 4/10, Mythree Tower, Bommanhalli Housr Main Road Bangalore-560068

The following borrower/s have defaulted in the repayment of principal and interest of the loans facility obtained by them from the Bank and the loans have been classified as Non-Performing Assets (NPA). A notice was issued to them under Section 13 (2) of Securitisation and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act-2002 on their last known addresses, however it was not served and hence they are hereby notified by way of this public notice.

Sr. No.	Name of the Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor/ (Loan Account Number) & Address	Property Address of Secured Asset / Asset to be Enforced	Date of Notice Sent/ Outstanding as on Date of Notice	NPA Date
1.	Sreekanth Ravichandra Reddigari / Lalitha Agraharam/ Geetha V Reddy - 20B, 1Flr, Sjr Eastwood Layout Bangalore- Dt Off Sarjapur Road Haralur Road, Bangalore – 560102 / LBTRU00001850923	Chittoor District- Chittoor Sub District- Chittoor Zilla Parishad- Chittoor Mandal- Chittoor Municpality-no.71 Greamspet Village Accounts- S. No. 151/6-C.B.Road- Two Floored Rcc Roof Building Bearing M.C Door No 4-417, To 4-420 The Building Measuring East West: 71 Feet Or 21-65 Meters, North South: 45 Feet Or 13-72 Meters Total Area 3195 Sq.feet Or 355 Sq.yds	13.08.2020 Rs. 2141059.00/-	31.01. 2020
2.	Umapathi Doopati / Chengama Naidu Doopati - No: 13, Krishnappa Layout, B. N. Pura, Mahadevapura Near K.R.Pura Railway Station Bangalore – 560016 / LBCTT00001756567	Chittoot District-Palamaner Sub District-Chittoor Zilla Parishad-Gangavaram Mandal And Mandal Praja Parishad- Kallupali Village And Village Panchyat- Circar-Dry-S. No.418/2B- A Vacant House Site Measuring East West: 50 Feet Or 15-240 Meters, North South: 35 Feet Or 10-668 Meters Total Area 1750 Sq.feet Or 194-4 Sq.yards	13.08.2020 Rs. 501203.00/-	31.01. 2020

The steps are being taken for substituted service of notice. The above borrower/s and/or their guarantors (as applicable) are advised to make the payments of outstanding within period of 60 days from the date of publication of this notice else further steps will be taken as per the provisions of Securitisation and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002.

Date : October 14, 2020 **Authorized Officer**
Place: Bangalore **ICICI Bank Limited**

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› SAM LEVENSON

Office Of the Joint Director Social Welfare Dept. Tumkur Dist, Tumkur phone: 0816-2278132,
Fax No-0816-2278132 E-mail- tumkur.dswo@gmail.com
No.jd/swd/est/cr-9/2020-21 Dt.09.10.2020

E-Tender Publication

E-Tender for the procurement of Human Resources for the D Group Post of Cook, Assistant Cook, Night Watchman And Peon vacant in the Pre Matric/Post Matric Hostels And Residential Schools run by the Social Welfare Department, Tumkur District for the year 2020-21 is called for in the e-procurement portal, https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in. The Last date for bidding is **30.10.2020.** The eligible Human Resources Agencies can participate and get the further information from the above website and the Office Address mentioned above.

Sd/- Joint Director
Social Wefare Department, Tumkur District.

DIPR/TUM/265/MCA/2020-21

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is bring to the notice of general public that my Clients 1. Eshwar Prasad .V, aged 28 years, S/o. Late. N. Vishwanath, 2. R. Shanthi, Aged 50 years, W/o. Late. N. Vishwanath, 3. Swarupa Vishwanath, Aged 31 years, D/o. Late. N. Vishwanath, Residing at No.983, 23rd Main, 36th Cross, 4th T Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore-560041, have lost the Original Absolute Sale Deed document vide regd, as document No. BYP-1-02873-2009-10, of Book 1, stored in CD No. BYPD 37, dated : 19-11-2009 registered in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Byatarayanapura, Bangalore which was registered in the name of Late. N. Vishwanath (who was the father of first party, husband of second party, and also the father of the third party) in respect of the Residential property bearing Site No. 31, Khata No. 840, situated at Doddabettahalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Measuring East to West : 30'-0 feet, and North to South: 40'-0 feet, in all measuring 1200 Sq. feet, and bounded on East by : Site No. 32, West by : Site No. 30, North by : Site No. 20, South by : 30' feet Road.

A compliant regarding the loss of the above said Original Absolute Sale Deed document has also been lodged in the concerned Jurisdictional Police Authority vide Serial No.877240, Lost Report No. 129159/2020, Dated : 13-10-2020.

The finder of the above said document may return the same to the undersigned Advocate immediately. Any one misusing the above said original Absolute Sale Deed document will be liable for Criminal Prosecution the acts, deeds and things done by him/her will be invalid.

T.R. RAGHAVENDRA RAO, Advocate
No.27, Sri. Banashankari Nilaya, 3rd Cross, R.K. Colony, J.P. Nagar, 2nd Phase, Bangalore-560078, Mob: 9663267040.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Schedule Property is offered for sale and my client intends to purchase the schedule property. Objections if any, for sale of schedule property, same may be lodged with the undersigned with documentary evidence **within 15 days** from the date of this notice. In the event of there being no objections/claims it shall be deemed as though there is no objection for sale of the schedule property.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of residential vacant Site bearing No.12, carved out of Sy. No. 48, situated at Boilahalli Village, Jala Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore, in the layout known as "FLAMINGO" measuring East to West: 60 feet and North to South: 45 feet in all measuring 2700 Sq.ft and bounded on the; **EAST BY** :Site No.7, **WEST BY** :Road, **NORTH BY:**Road, **SOUTH BY:**Site No.11

B.S. MANJUNATH, ADVOCATE
SUO ASSOCIATES LLP ADVOCATES
No.6, Ground Floor, Opp HIG-233
1st Main, Dollar Colony,
RMV 2nd Stage,Bengaluru - 560 094
Place : Bangalore. Date :14.10.2020

PUBLIC NOTICE

The General Public is hereby informed that my client is intending to purchase the below mentioned schedule of property from its owner viz., Mr. Joshi Mark Premnath, S/o. Late. Mr. V.T. Mark Prabhu, aged about 47 years, residing at 69, 6th main. ITI Layout, Chinnappa Garden, Benson Town, Bangalore - 560046 and his family. If anybody is having any objection, claim, interest, share, dispute for the above intended sale transaction, he / she / they may contact the undersigned with the documentary proof substantiating his / her / their objections / claims / details of dispute/s within Seven (7) days from the date of this publication, failing which, my client will proceed to complete the sale transaction with the above owner as if there are no third party claims / objections / disputes in respect of the Schedule Property and thereafter no claims / objections / disputes will be entertained.

SCHEDULE-PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing Old No. 7, New No. 21, Old Division No. 74, BBMP Khatha No. 7, BBMP PID No. 86-54-7, BBMP Ward No. 86, Situated at Muddappa Road, Maruthi Sevanagar, Bangalore - 560033, measuring East to West 58 Ft. or 17.67 Mtrs and North to South 20 Ft. or 6.09 Mtrs admeasuring 1160 Sq.ft with three (3) squares of RCC Roofed Building Constructed in the year 1978 and bounded on: East by: Road, West by: Mr. Raju's House, North by: Mr. Alban's House, South by: Mr. Nambiar's House.

Sd/-
A. RAMESH GOWDA, Advocate
M/s. Ramesh Associates,
Advocates and Consultants
15, 2nd Foor, Wood Street, Richmond Road, Ashoknagar, Bangalore-560025,
Ph: +91 9900219868

DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-2 BENGALURU
No. 4, 2nd Floor, LIC Jeevan Mangal Building Residency Road, Bengaluru- 560025

TRC No. 1406/2018

IDBI Bank Limited, IDBI House. #58, Mission Road, Bengaluru-560027.
.....Certificate Holder Bank
Versus
Mr.B.P Narasimha Murthy & Another
....Certified Debtor/Defendants

DEMAND NOTICE

1. Mr. B.P Narasimha Murthy, S/o Sri S. Poojappa, Prop: M/s Dharma Goat Farms, No. 183, Seresandra Village, Byatha Post, Hessaraghatta Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District, Karnataka.
Also at:
Mr. B.P. Narashimha Murthy, S/o Sri S Poojappa, Sy. No. 54, 55, 57, Junnasandra Village, Madure Hobli, Doddaballapura Taluk, Bengaluru District, Karnataka.
2. Smt. Hanumakka W/o Narasimha Murthy, No. 183, Seresandra Village, Byatha Post, Hessaraghatta Hobli Bengaluru North Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District, Karnataka.
Also at:
Smt. Hanumakka, W/o Narasimha Murthy, Sy. No. 54, 55, 57, Junnasandra Village, Madure Hobli, Doddaballapura Taluk, Bengaluru District, Karnataka.
....Certified Debtor/Defendants

In View of the Recovery Certificate issued in **OA No. 737/2014** passed by the Hon'ble Presiding Officer, DRT, Bangalore on **31.08.2015** an Amount of **Rs. 87,45,641/-** (Rupees Eighty Seven Lakhs Forty Five Thousand Six Hundred Forty one only) is due against you along with interest and costs from the date of filing of OA's till realization of the Recovery Certificate.

In additions to the sum aforesaid you will be liable to pay all charges and expenses incurred in respect of the service of this notice and other process that may be taken for recovering the amount due.

You are hereby called upon to deposit the amount within 15 days of the receipt of the notice, failing which the Recovery shall be made as per rules.

Given under my hand and seal of the Tribunal on **06th day of September 2019.**

Sd/- RECOVERY OFFICER-2
DRT - 2, Bengaluru

Note : Attention is invited to Rule 16 of the Second Schedule of the Income Tax Act 1961 read with recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act, 1993 which is reproduced below:
Rule **16(1)** where a notice has been served on a defaulter under Rule 2, the defaulter or his representative in interest shall not be competent to mortgage, charge, lease or otherwise deal with any property belonging to him except with the permission of the Debts Recovery Officer, nor shall any civil court issue any process against such property in execution of a decree for the payment of money.
(2) Where an attachment has been made under this schedule any private transfer or delivery of the property attached or of any interest therein and any payment to the defaulter of any debt, dividend or other monies contrary to such attachment, shall be void, as against all claims enforceable under the attachment."
3) You are also liable to disclose your assets both movable and immovable to this Tribunal along with the Income Tax Returns of Last 5 Year.

MALABAR CEMENTS LIMITED
(A Government of Kerala Undertaking)
An ISO 9001 :2015, 14001:2015 Company
Walayar Post, Palakkad-678624-Kerala
Email : materials@malabarcements.com/ bulkmcl@gmail.com

TENDER NOTICE

Visit www.etenders.kerala.gov.in for Online Submission of Bids for:

- Design and Supply of Refractory Castables with Accessories.
- Supply of Refractory Bicks.
- Supply of Floating Tyre with Tyre shell.
- Supply of ZF transmission assy Recon / Reman for TATA Wheel Loader.
- Supply of spares for BE220 of BEML Make.
- Erection of Oscillating Jaw body with shaft and connected jobs at primary crusher in Mines.
- Replacement of Second Chamber shell liner and diaphragm plates of Cement Mill.

Visit **www.malabarcements.co.in** for Tender details.

Sd/- , MANAGING DIRECTOR

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तिरुवनंतपुरम / Thiruvananthapuram - 695019; फोन /
Ph: 0471-2515298 Email: niistcivil@niist.res.in www.niist.res.in

No. NIIST/65/ESD-C/E-NIT (5)/2020-21 **Dated: 13-Oct-2020**

NOTICE INVITING E-TENDER

The Director, CSIR - NIIST invite Item Rate e-tenders for the work of "Renovation cum strengthening of Room No - 6 (Ground Floor) of Library Building for Housing of TEM Instrument at NIIST Campus, Trivandrum".PAC = **Rs.1948200/-**, EMD = **Rs.39000/-**, Tender processing Fee = **Rs.590/-**, Duration = **4 months**. **Tender document download End date is 21/10/2020.** For detailed information regarding Eligibility, T & C, Detailed NIT, Tender, corrigendum etc. Kindly log on e-Tendering portal **http://etenders.gov.in/eprocure/app.**

Head, ESD

Government of India
Department of Atomic Energy
Bhabha Atomic Research Centre, Mysore

Corrigendum - 1

With reference to the below tender, please note the extension of dates in tender sale period, submission etc.

Tender Reference No.	BARC/MYS/PROJ/SS PIPING/01/2020, dated: 13.08.2020
Name of the Work	Fabrication of Stainless Steel piping & related MS structural support including erection & testing works in DF-1 & DF-2, at BARC site, Mysore.
Tender Sale Period	Tender sale period is extended from 13.10.2020 (11:00 Hrs) to 23.10.2020 (15:00 Hrs) on website www.tenderwizard.com/DAE.

For other changes in dates of Last date and time of closing of online submission of tenders, Last date for submission of original documents towards Receipt of e-payment towards Tender Processing Fee and EMD, Date and time of online opening of Part 1 etc, please download the corrigendum documents in website **www.tenderwizard.com /dae** under this tender.

Sd/-
Superintending Engineer
For & on behalf of President of India

POSSESSION NOTICE (for Immovable Property)

Whereas the Authorised Officer of **Asset Reconstruction Company (India) Limited** under Securitization And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 (54 of 2002), and in exercise of powers conferred under Section13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued Demand Notice under Section 13(2) of the said Act, calling upon the following borrowers to repay the amounts mentioned against their respective name together with interest thereon at the applicable rates as mentioned in the said notices, within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said Notices, along with further interest as applicable, incidental expenses, costs, charges etc incurred till the date of payment and / or realization.

S. No.	Loan Account No./ Selling Bank Name / Borrower Name	Total Outstanding (In Rs)/ Due Date	Date & Type of Possession
1	PSTL – 1861 / Karnataka Bank / Mr.K.N.B Sharma / Mrs. M.S.Sheela / Mr. J.Chandrashekaran	Rs.43,05,329/- as on 25.06.2020	9-Oct-20 Symbolic

Description of Property: All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Muncipal No.11/12-1, Old No.11/12 situated at 1st Cross Road, Deepanjalinagar, Previously 8th cross, 1st Main Road, Deevatigeramanahalli, Bangalore Mahanagara Palike Ward No. 41, Bangalore, **measuring East to West:** 30 feet **and North to South:** 30 feet, totally measuring 900 sq. ft with ACC Roof building measuring 600 sq.ft **and bounded on the East:** Road, **West:** Mori, **North:** Conservancy, **South:** Previously remaining property, now private property .

The borrowers mentioned herein above having failed to repay the amounts, notice is hereby given to the borrowers and to the public in general that the Authorized Officer of **Arcil** has taken **Symbolic Possession** of the properties/ Secured Assets described herein above in exercise of powers conferred on him under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said Rules on on the dates mentioned above.

The borrowers in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the aforesaid properties/Secured Assets and any dealings with the said properties/Secured Assets will be subject to the charge of **Arcil** and interest thereon.

The borrowers/mortgagors/guarantors attention is invited to provisions of sub section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Place: Bangalore **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Date: 14-10-2020 **Asset Reconstruction Company (India) Ltd.**

ASSET RECONSTRUCTION COMPANY (INDIA) LTD.
Registered Office: The Ruby, 10th Floor, 29 Senapati Bapat Marg, Dadar (West), Mumbai-400028. **Tel: +91 2266581300. www.arcil.co.in**
Branch Address: Unit No.305, 3rd Floor Kedia Arcade, # 92, Infantry Road, Bangalore-560001. **Tel: 080-25598054/55. CIN-U65999MH2002PLC134884.**

Indian Bank इंडियन बैंक इलाहाबाद ALLAHABAD
STRESSED ASSETS MANAGEMENT BRANCH
No 10, 1st Floor, Indian Bank Buildings
K G Road, Bengaluru 560009

APPENDIX- IV-A [See proviso to rule 8 (6)]
Sale Notice for sale of Immovable Properties

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the Symbolic possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Indian Bank, the Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on **18-11-2020** for recovery of Rs 2,11,19,157.56 (Rupees Two Crores Eleven Lakhs Nineteen Thousand One Hundred and Fifty Seven and Paise Fifty Six Only) as on 07-10-2020 with further interest and charges due to the Indian Bank, SAM Branch, Secured Creditor, from **1-M/s.RVNS Exim Pvt Ltd** , Regd Office No 79, BEL Colony, Jalahalli Post , Bangalore 560013. **2-Mr S Srinivasa Murthy. (Managing Director)** No 79, BEL Colony, Jalahalli Post , Bangalore- 560013. **3-Mr B Prashanth Kumar, (Director),** No 315, Ground Floor 5th Main, 9th Cross, 2nd Block, R T Nagar, Bangalore 560032. **4-Mrs Lalitha Kumari (Guarantor)** No 315, Ground Floor , 5th Main, 9th Cross, 2nd Block, R T Nagar, Bangalore 560032. **5-Mr B Mohan Kumar , (Guarantor)** No 315, Ground Floor, 5th Main, 9th Cross, 2nd Block, R T Nagar, Bangalore 560032.**6-Mr B Raj Kumar (Guarantor)** No 315, Ground Floor , 5th Main, 9th Cross, 2nd Block, R T Nagar, Bangalore 560032. **7.Mrs B Yamuna (Guarantor)** No 315, Ground Floor , 5th Main, 9th Cross, 2nd Block, R T Nagar, Bangalore 560032 .

The specific details of the property intended to be brought to sale through e-auction mode are enumerated below: All that piece and parcel of property in layout formed by Bangalore Development Authority (BDA) bearing No 315, 5th Main, 9th Cross, 2nd Block, Matadahalli, R T Nagar, Bangalore together with building measuring East to West 12.19 meters, North to South 18.29 meters and bounded on East by: Property No 316, West by: Property No 314, North by: Property No 312 and South by : Road.

Prior Encumbrances on property :NIL

Reserve Price:Rs 2,56,00,000/-,EMD Amount:Rs 25,60,000/-

Bid incremental amount:Rs 1,00,000/-

Date and time of e-auction:18-11-2020 Between 11.00 AM & 02.00 PM

Property ID No.:IDIBSAMB01

Bidders are advised to visit the website (**www.mstcecommerce.com**) of our e auction service provider MSTC Ltd to participate in online bid. For Technical Assistance Please call MSTC HELPDESK No. 033-22901004 and other help line numbers available in service providers help desk. For Registration status with MSTC Ltd, please contact ibapiop@mstcecommerce.com and for EMD status please contact ibapifin@mstcecommerce.com.

For property details and photograph of the property and auction terms and conditions please visit: **https://ibapi.in** and for clarifications related to this portal, please contact help line number '18001025026' and '011-41106131'.

Bidders are advised to use Property ID Number mentioned above while searching for the property in the website with **https://ibapi.in** and **www.mstcecommerce.com**.

Date : 13.10.2020 **Sd/-Authorised Officer**
Place :Bangalore **Indian Bank**

KSEB KERALA STATE ELECTRICITY BOARD LIMITED - E –TENDER NOTICE

Office of the Chief Engineer Civil Construction North – Kozhikode
Tender ID: 2020_KSEB_377915 *Execution of civil works for RMU of KHEP (3x25 MW) – Laying additional penstock to KES (1x50MW) Power House at Kakkayam * PAC : Rs.108.50 crore * Extended Last Date : 05-11-2020
Visit www.etenders.kerala.gov.in & www.kseb.in
Ref. PR/MC1/ E 238/E-Tender/2020

KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED
(CIN : U40109KA1999SGC025521)

No. SEE/Tr.(W&M)C/MRB/EE(O)/AEE-1/T-64/19-20/3111-18 Date: 12.10.2020

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION (E-PROCUREMENT MODE ONLY)

Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation Limited invites Tender for the following Bid Enquiry No. KPTCL/SEE/Tr.(W&M) C/MRB/20-21/TTK/66kV TB @ Ujjani- **Call 4** for the work of **"Providing LILO arrangement** for 66 KV Incoming line **(66 KV Kottur-Kudligi-Sokke line)** along with construction **of 66 KV Terminal Bay** and providing protection for existing Transformer I & II Bay equipment's along with construction of new Control Room building and shifting of existing equipment's to proposed control room at **66/11 kV Ujjini Sub-station** in Kudligi Taluk, Ballari District on **Total Turnkey basis.** Tenders will be received through E-Procurement mode only. The detailed notification regarding the subject enquiry in the e-procurement process can be obtained by logging on to KPTCL website **https://kptcl.karnaraka.gov.in** on hyperlink **"eProcurement-KPTCL"** or directly logging on to website **"https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in" on or after 14.10.2020 at 17:00 Hrs** details can be obtained from the office of the under signed.

Sd/- Superintending Engineer, Ele, Transmission (W&M) Circle,
KPTCL, Munirabad. Tele-Fax: 08539-270094

Department of AYUSH
Dhanavantri Road, Bangalore-560009
Telephone No.080-22876553, Fax: 080-22340139,
E-mail : directorayush.eproc@gmail.com

No: AYUSH/08/Procurement/2020-21 **Date:12-10-2020**

TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Through e-procurement portal only)

The e-tender Two Document System is invited from the Tender inviting Authority and Accounts Officer, Department of AYUSH, Bangalore for the Group-D workers under State Scheme to Directorate of Ayush as per the Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurements Act 1999-2000 Rules there under, The Tender document will be available from **13-10-2020 on 5.30 pm** in the e-procurement portal of Karnataka **http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** The last day of bid submission is **28-10-2020 up to 5.30 pm**. For Further details may be viewed at above website.

Sd/-
Accounts Officer/Chairman
(Tender Inviting Authority)
Directorate of Ayush,
R.O. No.DIPR/1367/2019-20 **Dhanavantri Road, Bangalore-09**

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केनरा बैंक Canara Bank
Malleswaram 18th Cross Branch.
Bangalore
(A Government Of India Undertaking)
(Head Office: Bangalore)

APPENDIX IV under Act- Rule 8 (1)

POSSESSION NOTICE (For Immovable Property)

The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the, **Canara Bank, earlier Syndicate Bank, Malleswaram 18th Cross Branch,** Under Securitisation And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (Act 54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a Demand Notice dated **17.02.2020** calling upon the borrower **1) M/s. Nandhi Gothra Export, Prop: S V S Darukeshwara,** S/o B S Veeraiah Swamy, No. 41/3, 4th Block, 6th Main, Rajajinagar, Bangalore-560010 **Guarantor: Mr. G.V. Chandrashekar,** S/o Late Veerabhadra Swamy, No.12 II Cross, Kempaiah Block, Aramane Nagar, Bangalore-560080 to repay the amount mentioned in the notice, being **Rs. 45,56,103.58/-** (Rupees Forty Five Lakhs Fifty Six Thousand One Hundred Three and Fifty Eight Paisa Only) as on **31.01.2020** within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrower/Guarantor/Mortgagor having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general, that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him / her under section 13 (4) of the said Act, read with Rule 8 & 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this **09th day of October of the year 2020**

The Borrower/Guarantor/Mortgagor in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the **Canara Bank** for an amount of **Rs. 45,56,103.58/-** (Rupees Forty Five Lakhs Fifty Six Thousand One Hundred Three and Fifty Eight Paisa Only) as on **31.01.2020** and interest thereon.

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Description of the Immovable Property: Property Bearing No. 41/3-2, 2nd Floor Portion measuring 1000 Square feet of built up area with 1/3 share in the site bearing No. 41 situated at 51st Cross, 4th Block, Rajajinagar, Bangalore-560010 presently under the jurisdiction of BBMP Ward No. 22 (Sri Rama Mandira) PID No. 22-16-41/3-2 owned by Mr. Darukeshwara S V S and Bounded: On the North by: Property No. 44, On the South by: Road, On the East by: Property No. 40, On the West by: Property No. 42.

Date : 09.10.2020 **Sd/-Authorized Officer**
Place :Bangalore **Canara Bank earlier Syndicate Bank**

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank
(A Government of India Undertaking)
ARM Branch– II, 2nd Floor,
Circle Office, Spencer Towers, No.86,
M G Road, Bengaluru-560001
Ph: 080-25593070, 25588002
e-mail: cb6298@canarabank.com

Possession Notice
[Section 13(4)] (For Immovable Property)

Whereas: The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the Canara Bank under Securitisation And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (Act 54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a Demand Notice dated **02/03/2020** upon the borrower **Smt.Y V Shivapriya** and also the joint applicant **Sri.Arvind Kumar** to repay the amount mentioned in the notice, being **Rs.1,19,83,266/-** (Rupees one crore nineteen lakhs eighty three thousand two hundred and sixty six only) as on 22.02.2020 together with further interest, cost & expenses within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrowers/guarantor/mortgagor having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers/joint applicant/guarantor/ mortgagor and the public in general, that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him / her under section 13 (4) of the said Act, read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this **12th day of the October 2020.**

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

The borrowers/guarantor/mortgagor in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of Canara Bank for an amount of **Rs.1,19,83,266/-** and further interest, costs & expenses thereon as applicable.

Description of the Immovable Property: All that piece and parcel of the residential house property bearing site no.5, Old CMC Khata no.674/100, 101 and 102, New BBMP Khata no.196/100, 101,102/5, ward no.7 situated at Jakkur Layout, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk presently within the jurisdiction of BBMP comprising of 20 squares of RCC roofed constructed house with all basic amenities and including all rights, privileges and appurtenances thereto whatsoever whether above or beneath the surface and measuring East to West 65 ft, North to South 30 ft totally admeasuring 1950 sq.ft. and bounded on the North by site no.4, South by site no.6, East by private property and West by Road.

Place : Bangalore **Sd/-**
Date : 12.10.2020 **Authorised Officer**

Three engineers, who had sustained burns during a blast at the Yelahanka Gas Power Plant, succumbed to their injuries on Monday. The blast, leading to a fire, was caused at the 370 MW power plant due to technical glitches on October 2, injuring 13 engineers and staffers

Centre says tribunal order on Krishna water final

NAUSHAD BIJAPUR @Belagavi

EVEN as Telangana is demanding that a new Krishna Water Dispute Tribunal (KWDT) be formed, Union Jal Shakti Minister Gajendra Singh Shekhawat made it clear on Tuesday that the allocation of Karnataka's share of Krishna river water has already been finalised, and the discussion now is only about sharing of the water between Andhra Pradesh and Telangana.

Union Minister for Parliamentary Affairs Pralhad Joshi tweeted to convey Shekhawat's stand on Krishna waters. Joshi said, "Now we have to see if the Centre will refer the request of Telangana back to the tribunal or if it will form another tribunal only on sharing the waters between Andhra and Telangana."

A few days ago, State Water Resources Minister Ramesh Jarkiholi had objected to Telangana's demand, calling it unfair.

Sources said that Karnataka's share could be affected if a new tribunal is formed. The state government is exerting pressure on the Centre not to accept Telegana's demand, sources added.

Jarkiholi on Tuesday said that he will head to New Delhi soon to meet ministers to get the necessary approvals for the Mekedatu project.

Following heavy rain, many streets were flooded across Hyderabad on Tuesday

Heavy showers disrupt life; 4 dead in AP

Depression brings Telangana, Andhra Pradesh and Odisha coasts to halt

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Hyderabad/ Vijayawada/ Bhubaneswar

TORRENTIAL rains played havoc in Telangana on Tuesday even as the Met Department handed another foreboding warning that the worst is not over yet, indicating that the squally weather promises more rain on Wednesday too.

Hyderabad as well as the districts across the State experienced widespread rains, which led to rivers and streams swell and overflow the roads. The Disaster Response Force (DRF) teams worked without respite and rescued people in areas with heavy waterlogging .

Heavy rains lashed different parts of Andhra Pradesh under the influence of deep depression since Monday night. Four people died in rain-related incidents in Visakhapatnam, East Godavari and Vijayawada, while a cargo ship from Bangladesh – waiting to be loaded – was swept away the shore in Visakhapatnam.

Several streams in Krishna district are in spate. Inflows to Prakasam Barrage in the city increased and the surplus water is being released downstream of the barrage. Disaster management personnel pressed into service to extend relief measures.

The deep depression that crossed north Andhra Pradesh coast near Kakinada on Tuesday wreaked havoc in Gajapati and Ganjam as it triggered landslide, snapped communication lines and damaged houses in both the districts.

Gram Panchayat polls must be held in 2020: SEC to state govt

ASHWINI M SRIPAD @ Bengaluru

EVEN as the State government is pushing for further postponement of gram panchayat elections, the Karnataka State Election Commission (SEC) told the government that the local body polls have to be held in 2020. The Under Secretary to the SEC has written to the Principal Secretary, Rural Development and Panchayat Raj (RDPR), stressing the need to conduct GP polls before this year-end.

TNIE on Tuesday had reported that the State was planning to seek the postponement of GP polls, citing the Covid pandemic.

Terms of panchayats ended in June, but elections could not be held due to Covid. The government has appointed administrators to run the local bodies. But the rule specifies that the elections have to be held within six months of appointing administrators. Also, a PIL is pending before the Karnataka High Court on the delay in holding the polls.

The undersecretary's letter mentioned that the terms of taluk and zilla panchayat too are ending early next year, and elections have to be held for those seats too. Also, many new taluks have been formed and SEC needs time to create a reservation list for these panchayats.

The SEC has to hold BBMP elections too. "Since SEC has to conduct all these elections in 2021, it cannot further postpone panchayat elections and it has to be conducted before 2020," the SEC stated in its letter to the government.

EXPRESS READ

HC declines to quash FIR against Prakash Raj

Bengaluru: The Karnataka HC on Tuesday declined to quash the FIR registered by the Cubbon Park police against actor **Prakash Raj** following an order by the additional chief metropolitan magistrate, for allegedly participating in a protest in front of the Mahatma Gandhi statue during the 2019 Lok Sabha polls.

Justice Shreeniwas Harish Kumar dismissed Raj's petition on the ground that procedural irregularity cannot be a ground to quash proceedings and the petitioner's counsel failed to point out substantial injustice caused to the petitioner on account of the procedural error, the court said. **ENS**

One more held in Bengaluru drugs case

Bengaluru: Making another arrest in the Sandalwood drugs case, the Central Crime Branch (CCB) police picked up one Ashwin Bhogi from Chikkamagaluru on Tuesday. It is alleged that Bhogi is a close associate of another accused in the case, Ravishankar, and was also in contact with other drug peddlers. Joint Commissioner of Police (Crime) Sandeep Patil said that Bhogi had been absconding for many days and the police had been gathering information about his whereabouts. "Based on a tip-off, he was arrested from Chikkamagaluru on Tuesday morning," he added. Bhogi was brought to Bengaluru by evening and the police questioned him about his alleged involvement in the case. **ENS**

Lecturers keep up protest for appointment letters

PEARL MARIA D'SOUZA @Bengaluru

SIX years on, the state is yet to fill about 1,203 pre-university lecturer posts in government colleges. Candidates who made it to the final selection list in October 2019 are still awaiting appointment letters, without which they cannot join their duties. More than 200 candidates held a sit-in protest at the PU department for two days, starting Monday.

These shortlisted candidates are on the verge of losing their posts due to a validity lapse of the selection list. Candidates were selected on October 15, 2019, and as per rules, they have one year to join before the selection list's validity lapses – which means just two days to go. However, following the protest, Chief Minister BS Yediyurappa has assured the candidates that validity will be extended till they get their appointment letters.

JDS leader meets shortlisted PUC lecturers who are protesting against the government, in Bengaluru on Tuesday | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

He said that although counselling and placement is completed but colleges have not opened. They are unable to report to work, hence, the appointment letters have been kept on hold. However, the candidates are undeterred. Many have lost their jobs at private institutions, and apart from loss in income, feel ridiculed. "Many, including my child, think I am lying about being selected for the job," says another candidate who travelled all the way from Dharwad. For a few, it means broken marriage alliances too. The protest will continue on Wednesday.

Meanwhile, Opposition leader Siddaramaiah lashed out on the ruling party in a tweet, asking the CM and Education Minister S Suresh Kumar to allay the candidates' fears. On Tuesday, JDS leader Kumaraswamy visited the candidates and assured them that he would take up the matter.

Migrant workers abroad can receive response in just one hour

BALA CHAUHAN @Bengaluru

THE Protector of Emigrants (PoE), Bengaluru, in a pilot move has launched a 'One Hour Initiative' in Karnataka and Goa, where any query or grievance regarding migrant workers, who are stranded overseas or have been cheated by illegal overseas recruitment agencies, will receive a response in one hour from the PoE's office. Complaints can be sent to poebengaluru@mea.gov.in

Speaking to *The New Indian Express*, Shubham Singh, PoE, said that the objective was to speed up the response time for the affected migrant workers, who are abroad or wish to go abroad. "Our effort is to issue the first response to any query or complaint within one hour of receiving it on our mail ID or through official channels," said Singh.

There are 21 registered overseas recruitment agencies in Karnataka, the names of which can be found at the emigrate.gov.in

In August this year, the PoE had written to all the district police chiefs in Karnataka alerting them about 50 overseas recruitment agents/agencies, which were luring gullible people. "We are investigating around 280 such fraudulent agencies in Karnataka," said Singh.

The PoE has written to the Department of Information and Public Relations requesting them to inform the media houses to verify the credentials of overseas recruitment agencies, which wish to advertise with them. "The media publications can write to us before publishing any recruitment-related advertisement to check the genuineness of the agent and we will respond in one hour's time. We have also requested hotels and lodges, where interviews are conducted, to write to us before giving their space for recruitment-related activity and we would get back to them verifying the credentials of the company in one hour. A similar request has been placed before the designated hospitals, where the medical checkups are conducted for visa purposes," said Singh.

The PoE has been reaching out to migrant workers, who are stranded abroad with their compensation and travel back to the country through Indian missions abroad.

It has requested the police to spread awareness among the residents in their jurisdiction on the registered foreign recruitment agencies for overseas employment.

e-mail: eephbhpt@gmail.com

GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA
OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, PUBLIC HEALTH DIVISION, BHAWANIPATNA
Parmanandpur, Railway Station Road, Bhawanipatna, Dist: Kalahandi, PIN -766001
NATIONAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING THROUGH e-Procurement
Identification No.EEPH-BHPT– 8 of 2020-21/ Dt. 9/10/2020
C-164

e-Procurement Notice

Name of the Work	Replacement of 400mm dia C I raw water Rising main & arrangement for pressure development in different Pipe network in Bhawanipatna Town-Under State Plan-2019-20.
Total No. Of works	01 (one)
Estimated Cost	Approx. Rs379.80 lakh
Class of Contactor	Manufacturer Only
Period of Completion	2 Calendar Months

Procurement Officer	Bid Identification No.	No. of works	Availability of Tender Online for Bidding		Date & time of opening of Bid
			From	To	
1	2	3	4	5	6
Executive Engineer, P.H. Division, Bhawanipatna	EEPH-BHPT– 08 of 2020-21/ Dt. 09.10.2020	01 (One)	14/10/2020	28/10/2020	29.10.2020

For details can be seen from the Government website **www.tendersorissa.gov.in**
Executive Engineer
P.H. Division, Bhawanipatna
OIPR 13059/11/0004/2021

CHENNAI METROPOLITAN WATER SUPPLY AND SEWERAGE BOARD

NOTICE INVITING APPLICATION FOR PREQUALIFICATION FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF 400 MLD SEAWATER REVERSE OSMOSIS (SWRO) DESALINATION PLANT AT PERUR, CHENNAI WITH 20 YEARS OF OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE (DBO BASIS)

INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING (ICB) (JICA LOAN ID-P267)

TENDER NO:CNT/WSS/ICB/JICA/DESAL/018/2020-2021

1. Chennai Metropolitan Water Supply and Sewerage Board (CMWSSB) has received an ODA loan from the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) for Chennai Seawater Desalination Plant Project vide Loan Agreement ID-P267, dated 29th March 2018.
2. In this regard, CMWSSB intends to seek proposals to prequalify contractors having experience in SWRO Desalination Plants.
3. Intending contracting firms can download the detailed Prequalification (PQ) Document from the websites, **www.chennaimetrowater.tn.nic.in** and **www.tenders.tn.gov.in** Also, the Prequalification documents in the form of CD can be obtained on submission of a written application from the office of Grievances Redressal and Facilitation Officer (GRFO), Chennai Metropolitan Water Supply & Sewerage Board, No.1, Pumping Station Road, Chintadripet, Chennai 600 002 from **15.10.2020** to **30.11.2020.** All the details are available in the PQ document.
4. The cost towards the PQ Document shall be transferred through Electronic Clearing Services (ECS) to the bank details given below by the Applicant or any one of the members of JV for an amount of USD 1000 (inclusive of GST @ 18%) or an amount equivalent in INR, which is non-refundable. If cost is paid in INR, the Exchange rate towards purchase of PQ Document shall be taken 7 days prior to the date of submission of Application for PQ. The proof of ECS transaction shall be submitted along with the submission of Applications for Prequalification.

Name of the Bank	:	Bank of India
A/c Name	:	CMWSSB 400 MLD SWRO Perur- Desal Project
A/c No.	:	800110210000015
Branch Name	:	Mount Road, Chennai, Tamil Nadu, India
IFSC Code	:	BKID0008001
MICR No.	:	600013010
Swift Code (Foreign Currency Transaction)	:	BKIDINBBMTR
Address	:	No. 827, Dhun Building, Mount Road, Chennai-600 002, Tamil Nadu, India

5. The Contracting firms who require further information shall obtain the same from the address mentioned below during the working hours (IST 10:00 hours to 17:45 hours). The submission of Application for PQ is acceptable only through hard copy in sealed envelopes on or before IST **15.00 hours on 01/12/2020** at the address given below.
Superintending Engineer (Contracts and Monitoring),
CMWSSB, No.1, Pumping Station Road,
Chintadripet, Chennai 600 002.
Telephone: 044 28451300 Extn: 209, Facsimile: 044 28458181,
E-mail:secandm@cmwssb.in
Website: www.chennaimetrowater.tn.nic.in
6. The Prequalification Applications will be opened in the presence of Applicants' representatives who choose to attend at IST **15.30 hours on 01/12/2020** at the office of Superintending Engineer (Contracts and Monitoring), CMWSSB.

Superintending Engineer
(Contracts and Monitoring)
CMWSSB, Chennai
DIPR/3829/TENDER/2020

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that our Client intends to purchase the below mentioned Schedule Properties form Mrs. **M. Sushma Rajaram** aged about 36 years daughter of late Mr. K. Maniyappa an wife of Dr. Rajaram residing at No. 161, Chennakeshava Nilaya, Vidyaranyapura Post, Bengaluru 560 097 **("Owner").**

The Owner represents that he is the absolute owner and is in possession of the Schedule Property and the Schedule Property is free from any kind of encumbrance, suits, and proceedings under any statute. Any person or persons asserting any right, title, interest, claim or demand whatsoever in the Schedule Property or any part thereof, by way of sale, exchange, mortgage, charge, lien, gift, inheritance, bequest, possession, lis pendens, maintenance, easement, memorandum of understanding, agreement, power of attorney, option, right of first refusal, pre-emption or otherwise whatsoever is hereby required to notify the same in writing to the undersigned within a period of **Fourteen (14) days** from the date of issuance of this notice with all documentary proof thereof failing which our Client will treat the title of the Schedule Property as clear and marketable and will proceed to enter into the sale transaction.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of immovable Residential Row House Villa No. 29, bearing Municipal PID No. 1579/159&160/29 consisting of Ground, First and Second Floor together measuring 2746 sq. ft., of built up area along with 1333 sq. ft., of undivided share in land and 898 sq. ft., of common areas and facilities in the project known as **"JEEVANADI SANSKAR"** currently within the limits of BBMP Ward No. 9-Vidyaranyapura, Bengaluru formed in BBMP Corporation No. 1579/159 & 160 (earlier also known as Sy. No. 159 measuring 2 Acres & 17 Guntas; and Sy. No. 160 measuring 31 Guntas) situated at Kodigehalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, Bengaluru Urban District and bounded as follows:-

East By : Conservancy;
West By : Road;
North By : Common Lawn; and
South By : Row House No. 28.

Sadananda P Naganura
Sadananda & Co.,
Legal Consultant
54/1, Central Street, Off 8th Cross, Kumara Park West, Bengaluru-560 020
Phone : 080-23449994, 9880484236

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ADMISSION 2020-21 (SPECIAL NOTIFICATION)

B.P.Ed - Bachelor of Physical Education

DEPARTMENT : Physical Education

ELIGIBILITY : (1) Bachelor's Degree in any discipline with 50% marks and having atleast participation in the Inter-College/Inter Zonal / District / School competition in sports and games as recognised by the AIU / IOA / SGFI / Govt. of India (or)
(2) Bachelor's Degree in Physical Education with 45% marks (or)
(3) Bachelor's Degree in any discipline with 45% marks and studied physical education as compulsory/elective subject.

Only Few Seats are available in the Following Courses

- **M.A. Women's Studies**
- **M.A. Career Guidance**
- **M.Sc. E-Learning Technology**
- **M.Sc. Textiles and Apparel Design**
- **M.Sc. Cyber Security**
- **M.Sc. Information Technology**
- **PG Diploma in Women Entrepreneurship**
- **PG Diploma in Executive Programme in Career Guidance**
- **PGDCA in Cognitive System**

For Further Details visit our website Admission Link: https://admissions.b-u.ac.in
Last date: 26th October 2020 Time : 5.00 pm
REGISTRAR i/c
DIPR/920/DIS/2020

OPPORTUNITIES

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ONUS ON CENTRE TO FIND CONSENSUS OVER GST COMPENSATION

The GST Council continues to be puzzled by indirection over compensation cess to states. Its meeting on Monday yet again ended inconclusively, but any further stalemate can take the situation closer to calamity. States are at the front lines fighting the pandemic and the sooner the revenue loss issue gets sorted, the better it would be for everyone. At the heart of the matter is whether the Centre should borrow or if states, in the spirit of cooperative federalism, should share the Covid-19 burden equitably. That the Centre should compensate states until FY22 is a matter of law, but it's also a fact that a roadmap during pandemic-like situations wasn't discussed in the past. It's this gray area that led to a blue-on-blue attack among Council members, creating chaos.

The states' total loss is estimated at ₹3 lakh crore, of which Covid-related loss is pegged at ₹1.28 lakh crore, but 10 states have outrightly rejected both options the Centre proposed last month. As the Council agonises over an amicable solution, the fragile Centre-state relations are touching a new low. With each inconclusive meeting, the difference of opinions is getting stronger with dissenting members hinting at the option of a dispute resolution mechanism. If this happens, uniting the fractious Council and the eventual compensation will take even longer, while the Centre's credibility gets hit severely.

When GST was rolled out in 2017, it was billed as a historic reform partly also for bringing all states on board. But this very consensus, which once stood as its hallmark, appears so remote now with the Centre seeing a catastrophic loss of influence as a crisis manager. It's true that states sacrificed their fiscal autonomy and so the onus is on the Centre to find a compensation mechanism, any mechanism, that's agreeable to Council members. This is essential not just to make up for the revenue loss, but also to stabilise GST revenue collections. Striking a middle path is thus crucial, as the indirect tax regime may have lost some of its bearings, but not all its marbles.

POLITICIANS MUST SET COVID NORMS EXAMPLE

In the Odisha capital, the political atmosphere has been charged after the state government sealed the office of Bhubaneswar MP Aparajita Sarangi for violating Covid-19 norms last week. Sarangi, BJP's Lok Sabha member and a former bureaucrat, found herself embroiled in controversy after videos of her birthday celebration with supporters sans social distancing and masks went viral. The Bhubaneswar Municipal Corporation swung into action and her office was shut down for 15 days. The 51-year-old parliamentarian, however, was in no mood to relent and targeted the BJD government for being vindictive and overlooking violations by its own ministers. She has shot off a letter to Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik seeking action against his partymen. This is not Sarangi's first brush with Covid norms. She was fined in June for a similar violation.

But the ruling dispensation has not been any different. The funeral of senior BJD leader Pradeep Maharathy on October 4 saw a large congregation while one BJD MLA, who had tested positive, was seen attending the rituals. After Sarangi pointed this out, the MLA—as an afterthought—apologised a good five days later for his 'emotional' act. He has also been served a police notice for flouting the rules.

Truth be told, instances of social distancing and mask norms being ignored by political leaders are dime a dozen and no party can claim to be fully compliant in the matter across the country. Winter is coming and so is the flu season. It is only Covid-appropriate behaviour that can spare India's health infrastructure further stress. A survey shows that universal mask use can save more than 1.3 lakh lives up to February in the country. When Prime Minister Narendra Modi launched the Jan Andolan for winning the battle against Covid-19 last week, his primary focus was on the movement being public-driven and that it draw inspiration from the frontline warriors who have made the most sacrifices. As India opens up further and the daily infection tally shows a gradual decline, it is imperative that our political representatives lead by example and give the movement the momentum it requires. And it must happen across party lines.

The malaise in the judiciary is out in the open. But to look at the current issue from the angle of Jagan, Justice Ramana or Modi-Shah is to examine it at a superficial level

STEM THE ROT OR RISK BECOMING A FAILED STATE

G S VASU

Editor, *The New Indian Express*

AMIT BANDRE

As a democratic country, we are on the brink of collapse.

Even as we stutter from one crisis to another, we somehow convince ourselves that things are alright but the fact is, they are not. Among the three Constitutionally-created institutions—legislature, executive and judiciary—the last and the most hallowed should have sensed this first.

The latest to trigger a fresh crisis between the executive and the judiciary was the letter written by Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister Y S Jagan Mohan Reddy to the Chief Justice of India in which he accused the second senior-most judge of the apex court as also some judges of the AP High Court of questionable conduct and took the extreme step of making it public. In a country where every institution prefers the least possible transparency while trying to gain every possible control over the citizenry, if needed by handing out threats, this was too much to stomach.

Media pundits, who revel in instant analysis, floated multiple theories: Could this have been part of the BJP's plan to bypass Justice N V Ramana for the top post of the Supreme Court when it falls vacant next year or was it a countermove by Jagan because a bench headed by Justice Ramana directed high courts to expedite hearing in cases against elected representatives, the AP CM being one of them? Let's assume this is true and Jagan has played into the hands of the BJP. As it seeks to make inroads into AP's political landscape, the BJP is bound to play games. It will humour both the Telugu Desam and Jagan while also rapping them on the knuckles depending on the situation till it is compelled to choose a side. Such political moves are not new, though the BJP does it more crudely than previous rulers. But to look at the current issue from the angle of Jagan, Justice Ramana or Modi-Shah is to examine it at a superficial level. All of them, like any of us, are temporary but the institutions they represent are permanent.

The judiciary should have seen this coming when the full court maintained stoic silence after the 12 January 2018 press conference by four judges where they publicly declared that not all was well with the Supreme Court and that cases of far-reaching importance are being assigned selectively. One of the charges levelled by Jagan is exactly the same. The judiciary should have seen this coming when every institution suppressed the 60-page explosive note written by former Arunachal Pradesh chief minister Kalikho Pul a day before he died by suicide in August 2016. The contents of the note are shocking and will put any right-thinking person to shame. The apex court should have been concerned when varying orders are given in similar cases. The full court should have been shocked when one of the judges clearly violated the oath by publicly praising the prime minister and yet, believes he has the right to haul up others for contempt. We need not remind judges that their independence cannot exist without accountability. The SC is ready for an urgent hearing of a petition by a journalist and the AP HC is more than ready for a plea by a former AG at night to impose a gag order. But if one were to question why a petition filed by a government or others is not even numbered for two weeks, it amounts to interference in the functioning of the judiciary. Questions should have been raised when Justice Muralidhar was transferred out of the Delhi High Court because his orders were found to be inconvenient to the powers that be. Likewise, when two judges of the AP High Court, Justices Sanjay Kumar and S V Bhatt, both of whom have the cleanest track record, were shunted out for reasons we are not aware of.

We have only to realise from how high we have fallen to understand how deep the malaise is. Justice D M Chandrashekar, one of the most illustrious judges of this country, once told the then CJI, A N Ray, that he was not entitled to sit in the High Court to watch the functioning of the judges. An article marking his centenary recalled that the argument put forth by Ray was that it would help him make appointments to the SC. Justice Chandrashekar, senior-most puisne judge of Karnataka then, told Ray that in such an event, HC judges were not interested in becoming judges of the apex court. That was independence in its truest sense, not the one that judges try to remind us of now.

> It is not the judiciary alone. Every institution is crumbling because as a nation, we have chosen to maintain collective silence even in the face of patent, aggressive stifling of basic democratic rights

After the Second Judges case in the 90s when the Collegium system came into being, the only difference has been that instead of ministers, judges began to be patronised if one wanted to get appointed to a high court or elevated to the Supreme Court. There were serious problems in appointments to the judiciary in the pre-Second Judges case period (when it was in the control of the executive) as also after that, when the power shifted to the judiciary. An opportunity to reform the judiciary came in the form of the National Judicial Appointments Commission but the Supreme Court blocked it, with Justice Chelameswar writing the lone dissenting judgment. The system is rotten and a reform is more than due.

It is not the judiciary alone. Every institution is crumbling because as a nation, we have chosen to maintain collective silence even in the face of patent, aggressive stifling of basic democratic rights, including confinement of people in prison without even a trial. Even ordinary protests are now an anathema to rulers everywhere. But there is no outrage when a retired IPS officer tweets he is unhappy with Lord Yamraj for having allowed someone to live long. The reference was to the saint-like Swami Agnivesh, who passed away recently. Spreading hate is the new normal. We are not worried when TV channels embark on a media trial of a young woman holding her almost guilty of killing a film star until the forensic report by the country's premier medical institute confirmed it was a case of suicide. The 24-hour rabble-rousing then stops suddenly as if the power switch is turned off, with none questioned on what basis the shaming was done. Toppling of governments is done as easily as shuffling of cards, in the past and now. The federal structure is under strain for various reasons. We find demolition of a part of the building of a film star a denial of a fundamental right (which is fine if she wasn't given a notice) but are perfectly okay with the overnight removal of thousands of hutments in the national capital because they are an obstruction to development. We need migrants to build our metropolises but don't care to provide them shelter.

If such fundamental issues are not addressed, we surely run the risk of becoming a Failed State. Any other argument is shallow. Period.

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WHEN GOVERNMENTS SET OUT TO SETTLE SCORES

JAWHAR SIRCAR

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Despite truckloads of criticism that are heaped on all governments all over the world, they are still looked upon to restore peace and order. In general, they are expected to be fairer than those who are involved in parochial civil or criminal disputes among citizens. Of course, local-level policemen and other overlords can get really nasty if their interests or their oversized egos are hurt. Many also develop vested interests, with or without gratification, and yet, the system creaks along, everywhere. But personal vengeance against the populace as such is not usually a major issue and even trigger-happy encounter specialists carry out surgical strikes against marked targets.

The apparatus of democracy is, however, under grave threat when elected political masters turn upon ordinary citizens who are not in the game of electoral politics. One can always argue with some amount of confidence that once in power, leaders have regularly used governments to fix their political adversaries with the connivance of policemen and bureaucrats. But we are not discussing the free-for-all swordplay among politicians. Our spotlight is on governments that now display (and revel in) undisguised spite against sections of their own people—for dissenting.

Tempting as the proposition may sound, it was not really the current regime that first vitiated politics, though it can certainly take credit for taking person-centric viciousness to unforeseen levels We can, perhaps, trace the injection of vendetta and coarseness into Indian politics to Sanjay Gandhi but his techniques of mangling a liberal democracy were soon ably emulated by those who opposed his brand of rowdy politics. Since then, it has been a story of a steady decline. Prime ministers are supposed to set the narrative and, in the intervening decades, we were lucky to have quite a few gentlemen like Inder Kumar Gujral and Atal Bihari Vajpayee who behaved with utmost grace and magnanimity. Manmohan Singh and Jaswant Singh personified erudition and refinement, and showed no rancour against those who opposed them. Other leaders like N D Tiwari, Jyoti Basu, N T Rama Rao or S M Krishna also embodied decorum and rose above the brand of politics they often presided over.

Political killings entered West Bengal in the late 1960s, but it was Siddhartha Shankar Ray who yoked together lumpen criminal elements and state apparatchiks in the early 1970s to exterminate Naxalites in broad daylight. Kerala also has its tradition of political killings, but if specific leaders have to be pointed out for rampantly using state power to teach their rivals a lesson, one would have to mention some past chief ministers of Tamil Nadu and Uttar Pradesh. But let us move away from political murders or criminalising political opponents to what troubles us more at present. We refer to the completely unrelenting utilisation of the machinery of constitutional governance by elected leaders, at the Centre and in the states, which is now going on. When a Machiavellian caucus converts a movie star's suicide into a conspiracy and a titillating drama of love, sex, drugs, money and murder, and roasts its captive victims in public, the other side (also a government) whips up shocking criminal charges and goes on a frenzy. When scores are being settled with public funds and a colluding government machinery, dangerous precedents are set that will destroy whatever is left of fair governance.

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This vindictive streak is also evident in many states as well and leaders like Mamata Banerjee have been charged with intolerance and punishing those who oppose them. Even so, her attacks are still confined to her political opponents, who retaliate in equal measure, though her government has occasionally criminalised non-political critics for lampooning her on social media. Other chief ministers do it differently but they have also savaged their foes, both political or non-political. None can, of course, beat the abominable record of Adityanath who instinctively pulverises genuine democratic opposition, while brazenly targeting Muslims in particular. With the collusion of unprincipled government officials, he brutalises liberals and secular forces and devastates dissent across the board. Several honourable judges have decreed that "dissent is certainly not sedition", but few have ever stepped forward to bell the cat.

And then, at the very top, we have a duo known for the merciless quartering of opponents, who are from the same civil society that they congratulated during the past regime, for resisting corruption and demanding justice for Nirbhaya. They have metamorphosed executive watchdogs into ruthless hyenas and let them loose on whosoever differs with them. A new epoch in state brutality against civil society arrived when the regime armed itself with arbitrary powers of arrest and detention. The judiciary appears to be unusually indulgent and has not yet found time to decide on either the constitutionality of such draconian laws or on the malevolent manner in which they are administered. The least that democracy and transparency enjoin is that some information is made available in the public domain on why so many respectable senior academics and activists have been imprisoned in the Bhima Koregaon case. The Delhi Police has now literally snowed judges under avalanches of mammoth charge sheets in the Delhi riots case, indicting every dissenter possible—to filibuster the judicial process.

While respect for laws is surely desirable, terror and vindictiveness can really never be the cardinal elements of a democracy, however battered. After all, governments are meant to deliver, not demonise.

(Tweets @jawharsircar)

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It's a wonderful life

The life of Kurumpanmuzhi tribal chief Kumaran Kesavan, associated with the Sabarimala Thiruvabharanam procession and who died at the ripe old age of 115 on Monday, is something all of us have to celebrate. It is a clear pointer as to how the combination of right genes, leading a simple life, living amongst nature and being spiritually connected can increase longevity. Wishing his blessed wife, who is now 104, a healthy and happy future.
Biju C Mathew, Thiruvananthapuram

Running away from debates

Running away from reality by not taking part in debates on gold smuggling won't help reduce the woes of the LDF (*CPM skips TV debates on gold & Life*, Oct 13).
K V Raghuram, Wayanad

Centre's stimulus welcome

Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman unveiling a long-awaited stimulus programme ahead of the festive season is welcome. The package includes a ₹12,000 crore interest-free loan for states to spend on infrastructure and a one-time interest-free festival advance of ₹10,000 each to government and PSU staff. The schemes must come as a shot in the arm for the economy and spur demand.
N J Ravi Chander, Bengaluru

Measures not enough

While the Centre's measures are appreciated, there's not much to augment spending abilities at the individual level, with citizens reeling under Covid-induced pay cuts and layoffs.
Dr George Jacob, Kochi

Trust print media

The column *Traditional media shouldn't ape digital* (Oct 13) has rightly pointed out people's trust in the print media as there have been many instances of fake news floating around online. However, as digital media is encroaching upon its space, print must reposition itself keeping faith in its readership.
A M Chakravarty, Hyderabad

Ensuring credibility

The timing of the article on media credibility could not have been more apt. Print media should report unbiased news, take a principled stand in their editorials and publish columns by experts in their respective fields who have different views and political leanings.
H Ramamoorthy, Tirunelveli

Sad end to edu initiative

It is unfortunate that the noble initiative to spread education through Vidyagama has failed to accomplish its goals owing to the pandemic (*Karnataka edu experiment falls prey to Covid*, Oct 13). Lack of electronic gadgets and network connectivity have worsened the woes of rural students.
Narayani Potrivel, Mayiladuthurai

Implement 3-capitals project

This is with reference to the article *Three-capital system for Andhra a game changer* (Oct 12). The move will ensure that there is all-round development of education, entrepreneurship, health, transportation, etc. But this needs to be implemented expeditiously.
C Ghanshyam, Visakhapatnam

History with minimum bias

I agree with the views of the author of *History is our legacy, can't allow politicians to fritter it away* (Oct 10). A committee with people having different views must sit down and draft a history book with the least amount of prejudiced information. Unfortunately I find most historians set in their views; a committee may end up quarrelling rather than do anything positive. But we should still try.
C Subrahmanyam, AP

British ideas destructive

It is a great crime to destroy the past, and a much worse crime when it is India's past. Copying British ideas of history is destructive. As a colonial power, Britain was incapable of seeing India clearly.
Sharon St Joan, email

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TWEETS OF THE DAY

Rahul Gandhi @RahulGandhi
The farmers gave the country food security, and the Modi government only betrayed them. But not anymore. We will change, the country will change

Jagdeep Dhankhar @jdhankhar1
Home department and police should not justify wrong things. They should go for rectification. The turban removing incident was wrong

Nitish Kumar @NitishKumar
They seek vote in the name of minorities but did they do anything for them? During our 15 years, over 6 lakh youth received jobs

Acid thrown at 3 Dalit sisters in UP

Three minors were sleeping at home when they were attacked; accused arrested, was allegedly stalking the eldest sister

NAMITA BAJPAI @ New Delhi

DAYS after the Hathras horror, three Dalit sisters were attacked allegedly with acid while they were sleeping in their house in Paksa village in Gonda district of Uttar Pradesh on the intervening night of Monday and Tuesday.

The accused was arrested after an encounter with the police personnel later in the evening. The three victims, all minors, are undergoing treatment at the district hospital and are stated to be out of danger.

The eldest sister, who was about to get married, has suffered around 30% burns and her face is badly injured, said the doctors. A senior police officer said the 17-year-old girl has told the police that the accused, identified as Ashish, had been stalking her.

The girls' distraught father said he had fixed the marriage of his eldest daughter in Lucknow and a pre-wedding ritual was due on October 23.

Local police sources had earlier said the three are daughters of a member of the block development council. They were sleeping on the first floor of their house when some unidentified men jumped onto the rooftop from an adjacent building and attacked them with acid. "I couldn't see who threw the acid as we were asleep. We don't have any enmity with anyone," said one of the sisters.

"The doctors are trying to ascertain what kind of chemical was used in the attack," said Shailesh Kumar Pandey, Superintendent of Police, Gonda. "A police team along with forensic experts and a dog squad has collected samples from the spot."

The victims' father said he got up past midnight on hearing the screams of the girls. He denied having any enmity with anyone in the village. He said his eldest daughter had passed Class X this year and the younger ones are studying in Class VII and II respectively.

A damaged mobile phone had been recovered from the rooftop where the three were sleeping, they added.

An empty acid bottle used in the attack was also recovered from outside the house of the victims.

CBI officials arrive to investigate the case of a 19-year-old Dalit woman who died after being allegedly gang-raped in Hathras on Tuesday | PTI

'EVERY CRIME IS AGAINST HUMANITIY'

The NDA government does not believe in viewing crime from the prism of caste, creed or region as any crime is against humanity and peace, Minister of State for Home G Kishan Reddy said. The government would never tolerate crime against women and the downtrodden and would take all measures to ensure speedy justice for all victims, he added.

Hathras case: CBI team visits crime spot along with victim's brother; speaks to family, cops

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Lucknow

A CBI team accompanied by forensic experts visited the crime scene in Boolgarhi village of Hathras where a Dalit girl was allegedly gang-raped and brutally assaulted on September 14. The brother of the victim also went along with the investigators.

The CBI investigators spoke to the victim's family members at their residence in detail about the sequence of events on the day of the crime.

The Lucknow bench of the Allahabad High Court on Monday had asked tough questions to top government officials on the "forced" cremation of the victim on September 29-30 in the dead of the night.

PARENTS UNWELL

After reaching Hathras post HC hearing, the victim's parents fell ill. The mother was sent to the district hospital after she complained of restlessness. She was discharged after check-up.

The CBI officers have taken all documents related to the case from the Hathras police and the three-member SIT which had been investigating the case since October 1.

The team questioned the policemen associated with the case. Before the CBI team arrived, the local police had cordoned off the area around the crime spot.

The CBI team got the areas around the crime spot mapped and measured before calling the victim's mother to the spot. She was reportedly asked about the place where she was cutting the grass at the time of the incident and how far her daughter was from her when she was subjected to extreme torture. The entire spot was photographed. The CBI and the forensic team collected the remains lying at the spot in a sealed envelope.

LAC talks 'positive' even as China says Ladakh UT 'illegal'

PUSHKAR BANAKAR AND MAYANK SINGH @ New Delhi

A day after Defence Minister Rajnath Singh inaugurated 44 new strategic bridges in a go, including eight in Ladakh, China on Tuesday upped the ante saying that it does not recognise the Union Territory of Ladakh and Arunachal Pradesh and that New Delhi's attempt to ramp up infrastructure in these areas was the root cause of problems between the two countries.

However, a joint statement released after the 7th round of Core Commander-level talks said both sides had agreed to arrive at a mutually agreeable solution to ensure early disengagement along the Line of Actual Control in Eastern Ladakh.

"First I want to make it clear that China does not recognise the Ladakh Union Territory illegally set up by the Indian side and the Arunachal Pradesh. We stand against the development of infrastructure facilities aimed at military contention along the border area," Chinese foreign ministry spokesperson Zhao Lijian said.

The Chinese foreign ministry also urged the Indian side to earnestly implement consensus and refrain from actions that might escalate the situation while also taking concrete measure to safeguard peace and tranquility along the border.

Tensions between the two countries have been on the rise since the violent face-off on June 15 at Galwan Valley and complete disengagement of troops has not possible so far despite several rounds of talks at military and diplomatic levels.

Rajnath Singh inaugurated 44 strategic bridges and a tunnel on Monday | PTI

China does not recognise Ladakh UT illegally set up by Indian side and Arunachal. We stand against development of infra aimed at military contention —Zhao Lijian, Chinese foreign ministry spokesperson

The joint statement issued after the over 11-hour-long discussions between the military commanders of India and China stated that the talks were positive, constructive and had enhanced understanding of each other's positions. "Both sides agreed to maintain dialogue and communication through military and diplomatic channels, and arrive at a mutually acceptable solution for disengagement as early as possible. Both sides agreed to earnestly implement the important understandings reached by the leaders of the two countries, not to turn differences into disputes, and jointly safeguard peace and tranquility in the border areas," the statement read.

On Monday, while inaugurating the bridges Singh had said that the disputes along the China and Pakistan borders were being whipped up under a mission.

These bridges and Nechiphu Tunnel in Arunachal provide connectivity to remote areas. The 44 bridges of various spans are located in J&K (10), Ladakh (8), Himachal Pradesh (2), Punjab (4), Uttarakhand (8), Arunachal Pradesh (8) and Sikkim (4).

Student who accused former minister of rape turns hostile

NAMITA BAJPAI @ Lucknow

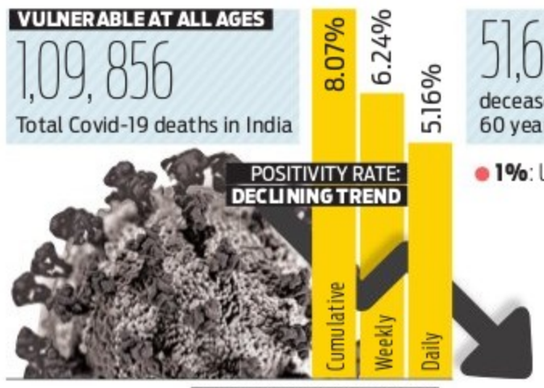
IN a major twist to an alleged sexual exploitation case in which former Union minister Swami Chinmayanand is an accused, the victim — an LLM student — turned hostile while deposing in the special MP/MLA court in Lucknow on Tuesday.

The victim, who was pursuing the law course from a college run by Chinmayanand alias Krishna Pal Singh's famous Mumukshu Ashram of Shajahanpur, had appeared before the court to depose during the trial. While starting her statement, she categorically denied having made any allegations against the former minister.

Chinmayanand was booked Sections 376C (sexual intercourse by a person in authority), 354D (stalking), 342 (wrongful confinement) and 506 (criminal

intimidation) of the IPC based on the complaint filed by the student last year. He was arrested on September 20, 2019, and sent to jail but later was released on bail.

The girl's statement allegedly angered the prosecution lawyer, who immediately moved an application under Section 340 of CrPC seeking an action against her for perjury. Judge PK Rai directed his office to register the application moved by the prosecution against the girl. The court posted the matter for October 15 for hearing.


VULNERABLE AT ALL AGES
1,09,856
Total Covid-19 deaths in India
8.07%
6.24%
5.16%
Cumulative
Weekly
Daily
POSITIVITY RATE: DECLINING TREND
CO-MORBIDITY FACTOR
AMONG UNDER-45
8.8% of those with comorbid conditions succumbed to the disease
0.2 % of those who did not have any pre-existing illnesses died
ACROSS ALL AGE GROUPS
17.9% of those with pre-existing ailments died
1.2% for those without any disease history died
51,632
deceased less than 60 years of age
47% OF UNDER-60 PEOPLE IN TOTAL DEATHS
53% OF ABOVE-60 PEOPLE IN TOTAL DEATHS
58,223
deceased above 60 years old
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COVID-19: 47% OF DECEASED ARE UNDER-60
Figures shared by the Union health ministry on Tuesday showed a disturbing trend: an unusual number of people under 60 years of age are succumbing to the disease
AVERAGE DAILY COVID-19 POSITIVITY RATE
8.50%
6.2%
BETWEEN OCT 7 AND OCT 13
BETWEEN SEPT-9 AND SEPT 15
We have to be more careful in our hygiene practices as it is a respiratory virus and most respiratory viruses escalate during winter
Dr V K Paul, member (health) Niti Aayog

Purchase deal only when Covid vaccines proves effective: Govt

NEW DELHI: Union health secretary Rajesh Bhushan on Tuesday said funding for Covid-19 vaccine by the government will come from multiple sources and that it will ink any purchase agreement only after the companies demonstrate adequate safety and efficacy.

One of the options before countries, said Bhushan, is to provide advanced market assistance while the other option is to provide financial help to vaccine manufacturers for conducting their research and development. "This financial support may not come directly from the government but may come from financial institutions," the official said.

In India, he said, through the department of biotechnology, financial assistance is being provided already to designated vaccine makers to assist in R&D including pre-clinical and may get extended to clinical trials later. "The other options are also on the table and are under active consideration of the government," he added. *ENS*

BJP bigwigs in the race for gubernatorial assignments

MANISH ANAND @ New Delhi

THE Raj Bhavans in a few states are likely to see new faces. The Centre is likely to fill the positions for Madhya Pradesh and Goa, where the governors of Uttar Pradesh and Maharashtra, Anandiben Patel and Bhagat Singh Koshiyari, respectively, are holding additional responsibility.

Karnataka and Jharkhand Governors Vajubhai Vala and Draupadi Murmu, respectively, are on extensions. Sources said the NDA dispensation at the Centre may weigh in the next year's assembly elections in Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Assam, West Bengal and Puducherry for possible shuffling of incumbent governors in line with the BJP strategy to put assertive persons with political backgrounds in gubernatorial roles in Opposition-ruled states where the saffron outfit is keen to build bases in the coming years.

BJP heavyweights, including former party vice-presidents OP Mathur and Prabhat Jha, who were dropped from the party's national office bearers' team, besides former Lok Sabha Speaker Sumitra Mahajan, could be in the reckoning for the gubernatorial roles, sources said.

The Centre will take a look at the fate of Puducherry L-G Kiran Bedi, who will be completing her tenure. Sources said it may also take a close look at Punjab Governor V P Singh Badnore, who will complete his tenure next year. With SAD's exit friom the NDA, the state has become a challenge for the BJP. The Centre may consider a formidable tribal face from among the BJP ranks in Jharkhand.

NEW IDEA

US deputy secy of state talks of 'Indo-Pacifica'

NEW DELHI: Visiting US Deputy Secretary of State Stephen Biegun has envisioned a Pax Indo-Pacifica, a region he described as one at peace, protected and made prosperous equally by its constituents.

"Together we stand for a pluralistic vision that will ensure that our countries, and all the region's diverse countries, can thrive as sovereign and prosperous nations in a free and open Indo-Pacific. One might call this a vision of a Pax Indo-Pacifica," Biegun said at the India US Forum he attended with foreign secretary Harsh Vardhan Shringla.

Biegun also called for expansion of the Quad saying the current members — US, Japan, India and Australia — have been too cautious. "Quad is a partnership driven by shared interests, not binding obligations, and is not intended to be an exclusive grouping. Any country that seeks a free and open Indo-Pacific and is willing to take steps to ensure that, should be welcome."

Pax is generally a term used to describe a zone of peace. Biegun said that the US and India represent pluralistic societies and with Japan and Australia, they were the democratic anchors of the Indo-Pacific. *ENS*

MEHBOOBA RELEASED AFTER 14 MONTHS

FAYAZ WANI @ Srinagar

PEOPLES Democratic Party chief and former Jammu and Kashmir chief minister Mehbooba Mufti was released on Tuesday after remaining in detention for over 14 months since the scrapping of Article 370 on August 5 last year.

The government revoked the detention in exercise of powers conferred under Section 19(1) of the J&K Public Safety Act, 1978, as per an order issued by state's principal secretary Shaleen Kabra.

Mehbooba is the last among the three former chief ministers and other mainstream leaders to be released. She was initially lodged at the government guesthouse at Cheshma Shahi and after the onset of winter last year, was shifted to a government accommodation at Maulana Azad Road near Lal Chowk at city centre. In April, she was shifted to her Gupkar residence, which was converted into a sub jail. On February 5 this year, Mehbooba was booked under the Public Safety Act.

She was among the dozen mainstream leaders including former CMs Farooq Abdullah and Omar Abdullah to be booked under the stringent PSA. However, with the improvement in ground situation, authorities had released all other mainstream leaders.

Political leaders hailed her release. "I'm pleased to hear that @MehboobaMufti Sahiba has been released after more than a year in detention. Her continued detention was a travesty & was against the basic tenets of democracy. Welcome out Mehbooba," tweeted Omar.

'STUDY IN INDIA' PUSH

Soon, tailor-made courses in IITs for students from foreign countries

SUMI SUKANYA DUTTA @ New Delhi

SEVERAL institutions of higher education in India, including some IITs, could see the introduction of short duration courses, specially designed keeping foreign students in mind. This, said officials in the Union education ministry, is aimed at raising the presence of students from outside in Indian campuses.

"We are asking some of the top institutions, including IITs, to design such courses and take help of even foreign faculty wherever possible," a senior official in the higher education department of the ministry told this newspaper.

The proposal, confirmed another official, was discussed in detail at an event organised by IIT-Kharagpur.

While government officials said it'll take some time to finalise the contour of these courses, educationists suggested India should tap the potential of emerging trends in science and technology apart from offering the best of knowledge from the country's rich heritage and culture. "Courses in Indian art, culture and history can be repackaged. It will also be a good idea to come up with courses in new subjects like data sciences and artificial intelligence," said education consultant Sanchita Salaria.

The development comes as the government's own data shows its 'Study in India' programme, launched two years ago with much fanfare, has been struggling to attract foreign students. The All India Survey on Higher Education 2018-19 earlier this year showed 47,427 foreign students were enrolled in Indian institutes in 2018-19, marking only a minor increase from previous year.

Officials concede that even premier institutions have been struggling to lure foreign students, but pointed to a silver lining. "In 2018, about 1,000 foreign students took admission via SII, which increased to 3,000 in 2019," said an official.

Soldiers go through psyop training for LoC duty

MAYANK SINGH @ Srinagar

IN an effort to win over the J&K youth and stop their radicalisation, the Army has introduced a change in its training for the soldiers being posted in the hinterland and at the Line of Control (LoC).

A new psychological capsule — tips on how to manage a situation — and some tweaks in rules of engagement were introduced early this year and are developed in conjunction with the Defence Institute of Psychological Research, a senior Army officer said.

"A selected lot of 200-250 soldiers and officers from the total assigned trainees go through this psychology capsule," said the officer.

The aim of the training at Corps Battle School, Khrew, is two-pronged: improve the operational reflexes, yet not turn hostile towards the locals and obviate collateral damage.

Every soldier getting posted to 15 Corps goes through a compulsory training at CBS which trains at least 3,000 troops, officers and men, every year in various courses.

People getting posted in hinterland duties go through 28-day training and those going on counter infiltration posting are trained for 14 days.

The capsule works on the cognitive learning process enabling the operationally deployed soldiers not to perceive the civilians as a threat.

IMMOLATION BID

A 35-year-old woman on Tuesday set herself afire near the UP Vidhan Bhavan but police managed to douse the flames and rushed her to hospital. Family disputes appear to be behind the drastic step

3 DROWN — AFTER CAR FALLS INTO CANAL GUJ'S MEHSANA

Ahmedabad	38	24	Mumbai	31	23
Bhopal	34	23	Panaji	30	23
Jaipur	35	21	Patna	34	26
Amritsar	35	17	Lucknow	36	24
Chennai	34	26	Port Blair	29	23
Kolkata	35	27	Imphal	31	19
Srinagar	25	05	Chandigarh	35	22

Bihar CM says unlike Lalu-Rabri rule, his govt has set an example of performance, brought about a perceptible change in state

Remember husband-wife misrule: Nitish to voters

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR
@Patna

CHIEF MINISTER Nitish Kumar, who is also the JD-U chief, said on Tuesday that the NDA has rescued Bihar from the lawlessness let loose by the 'husband-wife' rule of the opposition RJD – a clear reference to Lalu Prasad and his wife Rabri Devi.

The CM's remarks came on the second day of his virtual rally during the election campaign 'Nishchay-Samvad.'

Nitish's indirect attack was centred on the 15-year Rashtriya Janata Dal (RJD) rule as he addressed voters in Bihar's 24 assembly seats going to the polls in the first phase.

Kumar said the government led by him had set an example of performance and brought about a perceptible change in the state.

"We have been taking care of the people even during the corona-induced lockdown financially and arranged quarantine for 15 lakh people who returned to the state. We also gave them dignified living, food and financial assistance," he said.

"Bihar was a total mess till 2005. We have brought it on the path of all-round development. But for some people, only their sons, daughters and wife are a family", he said.

Denying the opposition charge on the rise in crime, Kumar quoted the NCRB figures and said: "Bihar ranked 23rd in crimes. But remember the rate till 2005".

Meanwhile, a day after the ally BJP suspended nine rebels, the JD-U also suspended its 15 leaders, accusing them of being involved in anti-party activities.

On Monday, the Bihar Chief Minister had ridiculed the RJD's claim of approving 10 lakh government jobs at the very first cabinet on coming to power and wondered whether cabinet meetings were held properly during the 15 years of its rule.

"See our work. We know how to do a work and how to get it done from others," Kumar said.

Snubbed NCP to go it alone in the polls

The NCP will contest the Bihar Assembly polls independently after it was not allotted any seat by the RJD-Congress alliance with which it wanted to tie- up in the state, senior party leader Praful Patel said on Tuesday. Patel said the NCP was ready to go with the Grand Alliance of the RJD-Congress in the eastern state, but it was not ceded a single seat by the opposition combine. He said it is not possible for the NCP to join forces with its ally in Maharashtra, the Shiv Sena, for the polls as its workers from Bihar are for contesting the election independently.

'Bihar faces threat of CM hacking too'

Former JNU Students' Union president and CPI leader Kanhaiya Kumar on Tuesday alleged that the BJP has a hidden alliance with the LJP while it has an open alliance with the JD-U. Stepping up attacks on the NDA, Kumar said Bihar faces not only the threat of EVM hacking but also "CM hacking". He said till Jyotiraditya Scindia was in the Congress, he continued to be branded as a "bad boy" by the BJP but the moment he joined it, he became "a pure and good one". "The moment I will join the BJP, all the charges against me will also be scrapped," he said.

RJD candidate Tej Pratap (centre) files his nomination papers from Hasanpur Assembly seat in Samastipur district on Tuesday | PTI

Hasanpur: Tej Pratap files nomination

RJD president Lalu Prasad's elder son, Tej Pratap Yadav, on Tuesday filed nomination from Hasanpur Assembly constituency in the Samastipur district which goes to polls in the second phase on November 3. He was accompanied by his younger brother and Grand Alliance chief ministerial candidate Tejashwi Yadav. The two brothers reached Samastipur from Patna in a helicopter for submitting the papers. While the brothers walked into the chamber of SDO, Rosera, to complete formalities, hundreds of RJD workers gathered outside the office.

Sena getting offers for alliance: Raut

Sanjay Raut on Tuesday said many parties are approaching the Shiv Sena for forging an alliance ahead of the Bihar elections. He said Jan Adhikar Party president Pappu Yadav, too, has called him with a similiar offer. Raut, however, said the final decision in this matter will be taken soon. He also said the Shiv Sena will contest close to 50 seats in the Assembly elections. When asked if the Sena will tie up with the NCP, its partner in Maharashtra, Raut clarified that the party will fight from 40-50 seats but no seat-sharing deal has been finalised.

Uddhav hits back at Guv's 'secular' taunt

SUDHIR SURYAWANSHI @Mumbai

THE question of reopening of religious places closed since March over COVID-induced lockdown has led to a bitter exchange between Maharashtra CM Uddhav Thackeray and Governor Bhagat Singh Koshyari who sarcastically asked the CM if he had "turned secular" in a letter on Monday.

Thackeray wrote back on Tuesday, saying he didn't "need any certificate" on Hindutva from Koshiyari, and that his Hindutva does not permit him to welcome a person who called Mumbai 'Pakistan occupied Kashmir'.

The allusion was directed at Kangana Ranaut and her meeting with the Governor almost a month back over demolition of a part of her office by the Mumbai civic body.

The Governor on Monday wrote that bars, restaurants and beaches were open but "gods and goddesses are kept in lockdown". "I wonder if you are receiving any divine premonition to keep postponing the reopening of the places of worship time and again or have you turned 'secular' yourself, the term you hated," asked the governor.

"You have been a strong votary of Hindutva. You had publicly espoused your devotion for Lord Rama by visiting Ayodhya after taking charge as Chief Minister. You had visited the Vitthal Rukmini Mandir in Pandharpur and performed the puja on Ashadhi Ekadashi," Koshyari wrote.

Responding to the letter, Uddhav Thackeray said, "Do you mean that opening up religious places is Hindutva, and not opening them means being secular? Secularism is a crucial base of the oath you took as Governor. Do you not believe it?"

'Lifting the lockdown suddenly is also wrong'

In his letter, the CM retorted: "You said I am getting divine premonitions? Maybe you get them but I am not so big," he wrote in Marathi. The Chief Minister also said just like "suddenly imposing lockdown" was wrong, lifting it suddenly was also wrong.

KASHMIR

Scribes offered protection after terror 'threat'

FAYAZ WANI @ Srinagar

AFTER the alleged hit list of 39 people, including journalists and political activists, appeared on a website, the J&K Police has increased the surveillance and offered safe accommodation to scribes to prevent any militant attacks on them.

The hit list includes 27 Kashmir-based journalists and 12 political and social activists. The post, which alleged that the 39 people were working under the Indian payroll, was deleted later. The list has allegedly categorised the 39 as A+, A, B and C. The police have registered an FIR against the URL handler for uploading the posts prejudicial to the integrity and the sovereignty of the country.

The police have recently installed many high-resolution CCTV cameras at the Press Enclave in Srinagar to keep round-the-clock watch movement of people there.

Another smuggling bid foiled

Days after foiling a weapon smuggling bid along the LoC in Keran sector of Kupwara district, the Army on Tuesday recovered another cache of arms and ammunition near the frontiers in Tangdhar sector of Kupwara. A bag containing a cache of pistols with 10 magazines and five grenades was recovered, the police said.

Punjab farmers agree to Centre's offer of talks today, continue 'rail roko' stir

HARPREET BAJWA @ Chandigarh

THIRTY protesting Punjab farmers' bodies on Tuesday decided to hold talks with the Centre over the controversial farm laws in New Delhi on Wednesday. They, however, continue their 'rail roko' protest and called for a nationwide 'chakka jam' for six hours on November 5. The Bharatiya Kisan Union (BKU), meanwhile, announced that protesting farmers in BJP-ruled Haryana will burn the effigies of PM Narendra Modi on Dussehra this year.

The decision to attend the meeting was taken by representatives of 29 farmers' organisations at a meeting in Chandigarh. The BKU (Ugrahan), which did not attend the meeting, has also decided to participate in the meeting called by the Centre in New Delhi. A seven-member committee has been constituted that will hold talks with the government.

After the meeting, president of BKU (Rajewal Group) Balbir Singh Rajewal said: "We have accepted the offer of the Centre as this time they have invited to discuss the issue. Whereas the last time, they had said that they would tell us about benefits of the laws. We do not want to give them any excuse. We will go there."

He said the 'rail roko' agitation in Punjab will continue and the final decision on this will be taken at a meeting on October 15. Meanwhile, the Haryana Police registered a case against Gurnam Singh Chaduni, state president of BKU, for allegedly making derogatory remarks against the prime minister.

Farmers block train tracks at Devi Dass Pura village in Amritsar on Tuesday | PTI

Laws can make entrepreneurs out of farmers: Modi

Continuing with defence of the farm laws, PM Narendra Modi on Tuesday said the reforms have the potential to make entrepreneurs out of the farmers. Releasing an autobiography of Balasaheb Vikhe Patil, Modi said the Maharashtra leader always endeavoured to solve the problems in villages such as drinking and irrigation water. "Under the PM Krishi Sinchayee Yojana, work was done rapidly to complete 26 projects in Maharashtra, which were stuck for several years. Out of these, nine projects have already been completed," the PM said in a video address.

ACTIVISTS SLAM WITHDRAWAL OF AD

CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

ON YouTube, the description of the advert when released read, "She is married into a family that loves her like their own child. Only for her, they go out of their way to celebrate an occasion that they usually don't. A beautiful confluence of two different religions, traditions and cultures."

On Tuesday, the brand removed the advertisement from all platforms. Social activist Shabnam Hashmi said this incident was reflective of the new India where inter-religious marriage cannot be celebrated anymore. "This is the kind of bigotry we have sown in the hearts and minds of the people. It is a pity a brand like Tanishq can be pressurised to withdraw the advertisement. Companies have to assert themselves. Unfortunately, everyone seems to be caving in to the troll armies," said Hashmi.

Human rights activist John Dayal said the advertisement acknowledged India's heart. "The company ultimately bowed to majoritarianism. The advertisement was an acknowledgement of a strong undercurrent which rejected Hindutva."

Former Delhi Minorities Commission chairperson Zafarul Islam Khan said the withdrawal of the ad was a 'bad commentary' on the country. "You cannot say anything. You will be hounded and trolled by thousands...it is very sad," said Khan.

Earlier Congress MP Shashi Tharoor had tweeted, "So Hindutva bigots have called for a boycott of @TanishqJewelry for highlighting Hindu-Muslim unity through this beautiful ad. If Hindu-Muslim "ekavatm" irks them so much, why don't they boycott the longest surviving symbol of Hind Muslim unity in the world – India?"

'Gang-raped' minor's body exhumed for autopsy

MUKESH RANJAN @ Ranchi

THE body of a girl, who was allegedly raped and killed by five men and buried by her family on Sunday, was exhumed by Sahibganj Police on Tuesday for post mortem exam. The police have detained four men, who were allegedly involved in the crime.

Sahibganj SP Anuranjan Kispotta said the incident came to light on Monday evening when the police visited the village in Pathna block in Sahibganj district, after getting information about the incident. The girl's family did not file any complaint with the police. A friend of the deceased, who was with her since Wednesday, narrated the story to the police. Based on her statement, the police lodged an FIR on Monday evening. Kispotta said both the girls had gone to meet their boyfriends on Wednesday. When they were returning on Friday night, five men from their village committed the crime, according to her friend's statement. The body of the girl was found on Saturday and family members buried it on Sunday."

Girl gang-raped, parents attack accused

Parents of a gang-rape survivor in Jharkhand's Harradipa village along with other villagers attacked two of the five accused and tried to chop off their limbs.

EXPRESS READ

Cong worker arrested in Rajasthan sex racket case

Jaipur: The Rajasthan Police has finally arrested Pooja alias Poonam Chaudhary, district president of Congress Seva Dal Women's Cell, from Sawai Madhopur in the alleged sex racket in which a minor girl was forced to have physical relations with men in exchange for money. Two women office-bearers of the BJP and the Congress have been accused of running a sex racket in Sawai Madhopur district. Cops have arrested eight people in the matter so far.

In parched Chambal, Ram looms over changed political loyalties

BHOPAL: In the Bundelkhand region of Madhya Pradesh, you don't find much water – its unique granite topography does not allow rainwater to seep in and recharge the groundwater table. This season during Covid, the crisis was even more acute.

But in the bypolls — out of the 28 seats, 16 are in Bundelkhand's Gwalior-Chambal region — no politician is talking about the water crisis. The BJP and Congress are talking about Lord Ram — the former crediting itself for the temple in Ayodhya, the latter promising the 'real Ram rajya'.

State cabinet minister Govind Singh Rajput has made Ram temple construction his poll plank in Surkhi seat of Sagar district. In the adjoining Chhatarpur district's Bada Malhara seat, saffron clad 'katha-vachak' first-timer Congress candidate Sadhvi Ram Siya Bharti is promising voters to usher in 'Ram rajya' if voted to victory.

The Bada Malhara seat (a BJP citadel between 1998 and 2013) was won in 2003 by Uma Bharti, who later became the CM. Following the footsteps of Bharti, Sadhvi Ram Siya Bharti (who too comes from the OBC Lodhi community) has been fielded as a Congress candidate to take on the former Congress MLA Pradyuman Singh Lodhi, who is now seeking re-election as a BJP candidate from the seat he won in 2018 on Congress ticket. Pradyuman, who was rewarded by CM Shivraj Singh Chouhan as chairman of state civil supplies corporation for switching to BJP, is considered close to Uma Bharti.

Ram Siya Bharti quotes the Ramayan in her public meetings to draw crowds. At a recent public meeting, she dubbed her opponent as the mythological demon Kalnemi and the voters as Hanuman.

In the Surkhi seat, Govind Singh Rajput is seeking re-election as a BJP candidate against former BJP MLA Parul Sahu, now contesting on a Congress ticket. In 2018 polls, Sahu was defeated by Rajput. *ENS*

Covid test centres to remain open during Durga Puja

Covid-19 test centres at all government medical colleges in Kolkata will remain operational during Durga Puja. Each centre will have 14 laboratory technicians working in three shifts under the supervision of molecular biologists, said a health department official. A team of four technicians will be present in each of the three shifts at each of the six medical colleges and hospitals. Two technicians will be kept on standby in case of a shortage of manpower. A similar arrangement will be kept ready at the School of Tropical Medicine and MR Bangur Hospital where Covid tests are being conducted.

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KOLKATA DIARY

Don Bosco to start undergraduate college from 2021

Don Bosco, Park Circus, will start an undergraduate co-educational college on its campus from next year. The state education department has already given its nod to the Don Bosco Educational Society last week to start Don Bosco College, a self-financing undergraduate institution affiliated to the Calcutta University. The Don Bosco authorities had a plan to start the college from this year. Since the no objection from the education department came last week, the institute will start its first academic session from next year as the college requires time to appoint teachers and members of the non-teaching staff, said a school official. A vice-chancellor said the launch of the college would fulfil the "need for a good undergraduate college".

NGO plants 30K saplings at cyclone-hit village

Members of a social welfare organisation planted 30,000 mangrove saplings at one of the Cyclone Amphan-ravaged villages in North 23 Parganas district. The initiative was taken by Alter Life, which said it was an attempt to rebuild the villages ravaged by the disastrous cyclone in May. With the help of the Bengal Forest Department, the saplings were procured and planted at the banks of Dansha river in Rupmari gram panchayat area. Biplab Gayen of the organisation said only mangrove trees can save the villages as a shield against the storm.

No more joint entrance this year

The state joint entrance examination board will not hold any more tests this year because of the Covid-19 pandemic and initiated a process to finalise alternative modes of admission, said an official of the board. The board decided to consult the education department. The JEE Board, apart from holding the entrance test for engineering courses, conducts exams for admission to evening engineering courses at Jadavpur University, nursing and other allied courses and undergraduate and postgraduate courses at Presidency University.

500 firefighters
deployed to fight an inferno on the slopes of Africa's highest mountain Kilimanjaro

GLOBAL WEATHER
LR: Light Rain • HR: Heavy Rain • TDS: Thundershower • LC: Light Cloud • SNY: Sunny

Beijing	15	5	LC	Los Angeles	34	17	SNY
Colombo	30	25	TDS	Melbourne	22	16	LC
Dhaka	34	25	LC	Moscow	18	11	LR
Dubai	35	22	SNY	New York	21	12	SNY
Houston	29	20	SNY	Singapore	32	26	TDS
Istanbul	24	16	LC	Toronto	16	13	SNY
London	14	8	LC	Washington	23	12	SNY

DON UPS ATTACKS ON KAMALA IN LAST 3 WEEKS OF CAMPAIGN

Radical GOPer Newt Gingrich pushes prez to focus mainly on Harris

WASHINGTON

GRASPING for a comeback, US President Donald Trump and his Republican allies are intensifying their focus not on Democratic nominee Joe Biden, but on his running mate, Senator Kamala Harris — arguing without evidence that it's Harris, the first Black woman on a major party ticket, who would really be in charge if Democrats win the White House.

The effort is laced with sexist and racist undertones, and one that is aimed at winning back Republicans and independents who are comfortable with Biden's more moderate record, but may associate Harris with Democrats' left flank, despite her own more centrist positions on some major issues.

During the past week, Trump told Sean Hannity of Fox News that Harris would assume the presidency within "three months" of Biden's inauguration. During a conversation with Rush Limbaugh, he warned that House Speaker Nancy Pelosi would "replace" Biden with Harris. And the president called her a "monster" during a Fox interview.

Trump's focus on Harris is building as he tries to regain an advantage against Biden, who is leading most national and battleground state polls three weeks before the election.

Former Vice President Joe Biden (L) listens as his running mate for the US presidential race, Senator Kamala Harris, speaks at a campaign event | AP

Trump has long sowed doubt about Biden's fitness for the job, but is especially eager to shift attention after contracting the coronavirus and confronting his own health scare.

At his first campaign rally since being hospitalised for the virus, Trump told a Florida crowd on Monday Biden has "a lot of bad days coming."

Former House Speaker Newt Gingrich, a Trump ally, is pushing the president to make Harris a campaign centerpiece.

"If voters understand the totality of her radicalism, they would conclude that she would be a very high-risk person to put in the White House," Gingrich said. He went on to call Biden "docile" and Harris "aggressive."

The sexism and racism associated with such language, including Trump's reference to Harris as a "monster," are aimed at Trump's most loyal supporters.

"It is really an effort to say to their base, 'Look, we don't want a Black woman to be president,'" said Marcia Fudge, a former chair of the Congressional Black Caucus. "'We don't want this Black person to take over in case something happens to Joe Biden.'"

Fudge said efforts to brand Harris as radical don't align with her record, particularly on law enforcement. *AP*

Barrett fends off questions on abortion in hearings

WASHINGTON

US President Donald Trump's Supreme Court nominee Amy Coney Barrett told lawmakers Tuesday she would put personal and religious beliefs aside when deciding landmark cases but stopped short of revealing how she would rule on hot-button issues like abortion.

In her first day of marathon questioning, the conservative judge said she would consider both sides of arguments over health care, sexual preference discrimination, guns, or reproductive rights.

Barrett's four days of hearings that began Monday come just three weeks before the election, with Democrats arguing the process should be postponed until the next president has been elected and taken office.

Trump, recovering from Covid-19 and trailing Joe Biden in polls, is desperate for a swift confirmation to fire up conservatives. *AFP*

J&J Covid vaccine trial paused

WASHINGTON

JOHNSON & JOHNSON said Monday it had temporarily halted its Covid-19 vaccine trial because one of its participants had become sick. "We have temporarily paused further dosing in all our Covid-19 vaccine candidate clinical trials, including the Phase 3 ENSEMBLE trial, due to an unexplained illness in a study participant," the company said in a statement.

The pause means the enrollment system has been closed for the 60,000-patient clinical trial while the independent patient safety committee is convened.

J&J said that serious adverse events (SAEs), such as accidents or illnesses, are "an expected part of any clinical study, especially large studies." Company guidelines allow them to pause a study to determine if the SAE was related to the drug in question and whether to resume study.

The J&J Phase 3 trial had started recruiting participants in late September, with a goal of enrolling up to 60,000 volunteers across more than 200 sites in the US and around the world, the company and the US National Institutes for Health (NIH), which is providing funding, said.

The single-dose vaccine candidate developed by J&J | AP

The other countries where the trials were taking place are Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Mexico, Peru and South Africa.

With the move, J&J became the tenth maker globally to conduct a Phase 3 trial against Covid-19, and the fourth in the US.

The US has given J&J about $1.45 billion in funding under Operation Warp Speed.

The vaccine is based on a single dose of a cold-causing adenovirus, modified so that it can no longer replicate, combined with a part of the new coronavirus called the spike protein that it uses to invade human cells.

J&J used the same technology in its Ebola vaccine which received marketing approval from the European Commission in July. Pre-clinical testing on rhesus macaque monkeys that were published in the journal Nature showed it provided complete or near-complete protection against virus infection in the lungs and nose.

In September, trials on the coronavirus vaccine developed by AstraZeneca and Oxford University were paused after a UK volunteer developed an unexplained illness. *AFP*

LOST OF DOCUMENT

This is to bring to the notice of the General Public that, I **Mrs. Sonu Wahi W/o Mr. Sanjeev Wahi,** residing at no.601, Gulbahar Apartments #10, Hare Krishna Road Bangalore, I have misplace the original Sale Deed No.1390 on book no.1, Volume 3674, Pages 1-10 situated at Gulbahar Apartments # 10 Hare Krishna Road, Bangalore-560001.
If any one finds the said Original Sale Deed they may kindly hand over the same to the above address contact 9845046647.

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1.	The Chief Engineer (World Bank Projects), Odisha on behalf of Governor of Odisha invites percentage rate bids in double cover system in ONLINE MODE form eligible contractors for Road work as mentioned below:		
2.	Nature of work	:	Road work
3.	No. of work	:	01 No.
4.	Tender Paper cost	:	Rs.10,000.00/- each
5.	Class of Contractor	:	Super Class
6.	Available of bid document in the web-site	:	From 10.00 A.M. of 17.10.2020 to 05.00 P.M of 09.11.2020.
7.	Date of opening of Bid	:	11.30 A.M on 10.11.2020.
8.	The Bidders have to participate in ONLINE bidding only. Further details can be seen from the website: https://tenderodisha.gov.in . Any addendum / corrigendum / cancellation of tender can also be seen in the said website.		

Sd/- Chief Engineer (World Bank Project), Odisha

OIPR 34003/11/0011/2021

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to general Public that, my Original Sale deed dated 24.10.1981, registered in the office of Chikkaballapura, vide Regd. No. 1048/1981-82, Volume No. 1325, pages 84-87 of Book I in respect of land bearing Sy.No. 180 and Sy.No. 195 of Avalagurki Village, Kasaba Hobli, Chikkaballapura Taluk and along with Cheque leaf of 2 nos. of my Saving A/c No. 20128 of Canara Bank, Vyalikaval, both have lost at Malleshwaram, Bangalore City. The complaint also reported in Police Lost Report No. 128122/2020. If any person/s found it, is requested to return the same to me at below mentioned address.

R. RAVI NAIDU, S/o Late V.R. Naidu
R/at No. C-901, Mantri Greens Apartment, Sampige Road, Malleshwaram, Bangalore-560003.

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The general public is hereby notified that our client **Mr. C. Pradeep Kumar,** Aged about 70 years, S/o Sri. C. R Nair has lost Original Sale Deed dated 16.04.1993, bearing document No. 331/1993-94, Book-1, Volume 678 at Pages 147-151, registered at the office of the Sub-registrar, K.R Puram, Bangalore pertaining to Site No. 09, Portion of H.L Katha No. 310/1, situated at Hicramavu Village, Krishnarajapura Hobli, Bengaluru East Taluk, Bengaluru, measuring North 60 Feet, South 60 Feet, East 40 Feet and West 40 Feet, totally 2400 Square Feet and bounded on the **East by : Private property, West by: Road, North by: Site No. 08 and South by: Site No. 10,** In this regard, a police complaint dated 13.10.2020 was lodged by Mr. C. Pradeep Kumar, with Commissioner of Police, Infantry Road, Bangalore-560001. If any person/s finds the said document kindly inform the advocate stated herein. If any person/s misuses the said document, the same is not binding on our client and they shall do so at their own risk.

C.K.V.K. LAW ASSOCIATES
Mr. VENKATESH CHANDRAN M.A., LL.B.
Advocates & Legal Consultants
No. 235 (Old No.13), 9th Main, 4th Block, Near SLV Uniworth Classic Apts, Maruthi Badavane, Hennur Cross, Kalyan Nagar Post Bangalore-560 043. Contact : 9845846428
Bangalore Date : 13-10-2020

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TENDER NOTICE

Sealed Tenders are invited from reputed Manufacturers/Suppliers for procurement of machinery & equipments like - Rag Chopper, Polythene Chopper, Hollander Beater, Triple Disk Refiner (TDR), Cylinder Mould Vat Machine, Vibrating Screen, Tissue Paper Sheet former, Embossing machine. Carry Bag Making Machine, Dry Bio Mass Mixer, Grinding Machine for coconut shell, Folding Endurance Tester, Brightness Tester, Tensile Strength Tester, Reaction Tank with stirring for ozonation, Ozone feed concentration Tester with digital pressure gauge, Shaking Incubator, Bacteriological Incubator, Ozone Analyzer, Ozone Reactor, Laboratory Spray Dryer, and Laboratory Jigger Machine. Tender form can be downloaded from **www.knhpi.org.in.** Director, KNHPI reserves the right to cancel the tender at any time without assigning any reason. **The last date of tender is 04.11.2020.**

Badri Lal Meena,
Director

CENTRAL PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
NOTICE INVITING E-TENDER

No.: 21/EE/C2D/2020-21/CHENNAI

The Executive Engineer, Chennai 2 Division, CPWD, Chennai - 06, invites on behalf of the President of India, online lumpsum tenders e-bids from Lab Consultants in Two Bid System (Technical Bid & Price Bid) for the work of **"Providing Lab Planning Consultancy for Modernization / renovation and development of existing BIS Lab to worldclass BIS Labs and proposed new lab building at Taramani, Chennai". Estimated Cost :** Rs. 28,82,000/-, **Earnest Money :** Rs. 57,640/-, **Period of Completion :** 3 (Three) Months. Last date and time of online submission of bid : **10.11.2020 upto 23.00 Hours.** Date & Time of opening of Technical Bid Tender: **11.11.2020 / 11.00 Hours.** The Tender forms and other details can be obtained from the Website **www.tenderwizard.com/CPWD** or **www.cpwd.gov.in** or **www.eprocure.gov.in**

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T. Chowdaiah Road, Kumara Park West, Bengaluru - 560 020

No.: BDA/TPM/CLU- 24/760/2020-21 Date: 13.10.2020

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(Under Section 14 (A) of Karnataka Town and Country Planning Act, 1961 (KTCP)

M/s Rathanamahal Properties and Developers, No.02, B1, West Park Road, Malleshwaram, Bengaluru-560 003 have requested for change of land use from Industrial to Residential as per section 14(A) of KTCP Act, 1961 in Sy No. 43 measuring an extent of total 31464.05 Sq.mt (7 Acre 31 guntas) of Hunasamaranahalli Village, Jala Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, which was earmarked for Un-classified use in RMP-2015. Applicant had obtained the change of land use from Un-classified to Industrial use under KTCP Act, 1961 section 14(A).

Applicant has, said that if the land is allowed for change of land use from Industrial to Residential use, it will be helpful for purchase of Residential units for middle and poor class people and it will facilitate generation of employment and taxes to the Government. Further, as required under section 14(A) of Karnataka Town and Country Planning Act 1961, any person/ persons affected by this proposal may file his/ her/ their suggestions / objections if any, can submit written suggestions/ objections to the Town Planner Member, BDA, Bengaluru within 15 days from the date of publication of this notice. The suggestions / objections received after the expiry of 15 days will not be considered.

Sd/- Town Planner Member, BDA, Bengaluru

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Zilla Panchayath Chitradurga
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Phone: 08194-222372, E-mail: zped_cta@yahoo.com

No:EE/PRED/CTA/ TENDER JEI/2020-21 Dt: 09-10-2020.

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION

Executive Engineer, P.R.E. Dn. chitradurga has invites short term tender as below any quarries contact **(https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in)** OR E-Proc Help desk Phone No: **080-22371090. 080-22340060. 080-22340948** or office Telephone no. **08194-222372/ 94483367736** at this office.

Sl No	Name of work	Est. Cost (In lakhs)	catogary	Tender Amount (in Rs)
	Deposit grant for the year 2019-20			
1	**Const. of Ashraya layout at sy.no.8 of Shivaganga village in Holalkere Taluk (INDENT:73012) (call-3)**	75.00	Others	6497088.46
	5054-Impts. to Roads for the year 2019-20			
2	**Impts. to road from Issamudra gollarahttti to Kodirangavvanahalli Gate in Chitradurga taluk (INDENT:80952)**	75.00	Others	6550000.00

(1) Last date for information any Tender quarries: **Date:17-10-2020 at 17:30 (2)** Last date for Submitting the Tender: **Date:19-10-2020 at 16:00 (3)** Date of opening the Technical Bid: **Date:20-10-2020 at 16:01 (4)** Date of opening the Financial Bid: **Date:21-10-2020 at 16:02.**
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(1) Last date for information any Tender quarries: **Date:24-10-2020 at 17:30 (2)** Last date for Submitting the Tender: **Date:27-10-2020 at 16:00 (3)** Date of opening the Technical Bid: **Date:28-10-2020 at 16:01 (4)** Date of opening the Financial Bid: **Date:29-10-2020 at 16:02.**
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Sd/-
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SALE NOTICE

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Properties under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the Symbolic possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of ARM Branch-1 (Earlier Nagarabhavi II Stage Branch), Bengaluru of the Canara Bank, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on **19.11.2020** (10.30 AM to 11.00 AM), for recovery of **Rs. 9,14,73,511/-** with further interest and cost thereon due to the **ARM-1 Branch, Bengaluru of Canara Bank** from **1. M/s Om Shakthi Exports,** partnership firm represented by its partners (No.2 & 3); **2.** Sri Gulihatti D Shekhar, S/o Sri Divakarappa; **3.** Sri A. Raghunath Babu S/o Sri A. Ramadasa; **4.** Sri Ramaiah @ B.N.Seetharamaiah, S/o Late Narayanappa; the address of No.1 to 4 is No.268, 7th Cross, 6th Block, Nagarabhavi II Stage, Bengaluru 560072; **5.** Smt Lakshmamma W/o Sri T.N.Narayan, **6.** Sri T.N.Somashekhar, S/o P.N.Narayan, the address of No.5 & 6 is No.3/1, Old No.36/49/3/1, 1st Main, 3rd Cross, Opposite 4th C Main, M C Extension, Govindraja Nagar, Bengaluru 560040.

The Reserve Price and Earnest Money Deposits details are as under & the Earnest Money Deposit shall be deposited on or before **17.11.2020 at 5.00 pm** by way of DD favouring Authorized Officer **Canara Bank ARM Branch-1** or through online payment to **Account No.2366295000004, (IFSC CNRB0002366)** is as under.

Sl.No	Description of the immovable assets:	Reserve Price	EMD Amount	Incremental value
1.	Vacant Site bearing 745/7, Khatha 582, New BBMP Khatha #750-7-791/198, situated at VII B Main, IV B Cross, BEML V Stage, 1 Phase, Halagevaderahalli, Kengeri Hobli, Near Prakruthi Park, R R Nagar, Bangalore South Tq, Bangalore 560 098. The site is measuring East to West 80 Ft and North to South 64 Ft totally 5120 Sq.FT.	**Rs.3,00,00,000/-**	**Rs.30,00,000/-**	**Rs.1,00,000/-**
2.	Residential building #3 (W-S Portion) New 3/1 Old PID No.36-49-3/1, 1st Main, Opposite to IVC Main, MC Extension, Govindarajanagar, Thimmenahalli, Bangalore 560 040. The site is measuring East to West 22.4 Ft & North to South 44 Ft, totally 982.5 Sq.Ft.	**Rs.81,00,000/-**	**Rs.8,10,000/-**	**Rs.50,000/-**
3.	Commercial Residential Property (BF-GF-FF-SF) Ramaiah Building, at No.119/1, Kaneshumari Janjer No.281, VP Khatha No.329/119/1, Ramaiah Building, Bannerghatta Main Road, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Measuring extent of site 800 Feet and built up area totally measuring 2960 Sq.Ft, bounded on **East by :** Private Property, **West by:** Road, **North by :** Road, **South By :** Babyjan's Residence.	**Rs.78,00,000/-**	**Rs.7,80,000/-**	**Rs.50,000/-**

Known encumbrances, if any: Not to the knowledge of the Bank.
For detailed terms and conditions of the sale please refer the link "E-Auction" provided in Canara Bank's website (www.canarabank.com) or may contact **Chief Manager, ARM-1 Branch, Bengaluru, Canara Bank, Ph. No.94835 32366** during office hours on any working day.

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I, **JENIFER RAICHEL .F**, aged about 28 years, D/o Francis Xavier, residing at No.6/321-A1, Annai Theresa Nagar Ossaty, Aravankad, The Nilgiris, Aruvankad Dist, Tamil Nadu-643202, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **JENIFER RAICHEL .F** to **ZAHRA KHAN**, hereafter I shall be known and called as **ZAHRA KHAN** only for all practical purposes, vide affidavit dated 12.10.2020, sworn before Advocate & Notary **MEERA HASSAN**, Bangalore.

LOST OF DOCUMENT

I, **V. Muniraj. S/o Venkataramanappa** i lost my **BAMS Degree Certificate (Convocation certificate) BAMS Reg. No. A.M 502, November 1998** finder please contact: **9489404420/ 9164613415**

ANNOUNCEMENT

I, **KRISHNAPRIYA S SHARMA,** W/o. Dinesh M Bharadwaj, residing at 2005, Gouri, 4th 'B' Cross Road, Yelahanka New Town, Bengaluru-560064, state on oath that I am also known as **KRISHNAPRIYA SHARMA** I state that the above said names **KRISHNAPRIYA S SHARMA** and **KRISHNAPRIYA SHARMA** are one and the same and denotes the same person only as sworn on 8th October 2020 before Notary H.K. Gopalagowda.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **SHRUTHI N PAI,** W/o Naveen Pai .N, D/o Venkatesh Naik .M, age 25 years, residing at No.13, K.No.23/4, 4th Cross, Varanasi Layout, Near Mother Theresa School, Jinkethimmanahalli, Bidarahalli Hobli, BETQ, Bangalore-560036, declare that both the names i.e., **SHRUTHI NAIK .V** and **SHRUTHI .N PAI,** are one and the same belongs to me only, now I have changed my name to **SHRUTHI .N PAI,** vide affidavit dated 09.10.2020, sworn before Advocate & Notary **L. GOPALAKRISHNA,** Bangalore.

AFFIDAVIT

I, **Mrs. Vennela Shijoy**, aged about 39 years, residing at Flat No. C003, Veracious Rosedale Apt., Hagadur Village, Whitefield, Bengaluru, Karnataka - 560 066, India, hereby declare that **Vennela Prasanna K, Vennela Prasanna, Vennela Shijoy, Vennela P Shijoy** and **Vennela Shijoy P** all the names refer to one and the same person. Vide affidavit dated 7th October 2020 sworn before Advocate & Notary M. Krishnamurthy, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **Mr. N.D. Vishwanath,** aged about 50 years, R/at No. 24/368, Mahadeva Nivas, Panchagramam, Nurani Palakkad, Kerala-678004 have declare that our son's name **V. SIDDHARTH DEVARAJAN** alias **VISHWANATH SIDDHARTH DEVARAJAN** is the name of one and the same person only. Vide affidavit dated 13-10-2020 sworn before notary, Y.R. Chandrasekar, Bangalore.

AFFIDAVIT

I, **NEETHU SHEKAR** W/o Sri Prashanth .G.B.N, aged about 43 years, residing at No.56, MANA, 4th Cross, Judicial Officers Layout, RMV 2nd Stage, Sanjayanagar, Bangalore-560094, do hereby declare that my name has been recorded as **NEETHU SHEKAR,** now I have changed my name to **NEETHU SHEKKHAR,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **NEETHU SHEKKHAR** only for all practical purposes, vide affidavit dated 12.10.2020, sworn before Advocate & Notary **N. NAGAPPA,** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **MERUNNISA,** Residing at No.18, 1st Block, 4th Main Road, Ayyappanagar, K.R.Puram, Bengaluru-560036, have changed my Name from **MERUNNISA** to **MEHARUNNISA S. NADAF,** vide Affidavit dated 12-10-2020, before Notary, G.P.Chaya, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, Meenakshi Umashanker, aged about 45 years, R/at No. 24/368, Mahadeva Nivas, Panchagramam, Nurani Palakkad, Kerala-678004 have declare that, the names **MEENAKSHI UMASHANKER,** (alias) **UMASANKAR MEENAKSHI** (alias) **SHEELA VISHWANATH** is the name of one and the same person only. Vide affidavit dated 13-10-2020 sworn before notary, Y.R. Chandrasekar, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **MANJUNATHA .H,** S/o Honnappachari, aged about 38 years, residing at No.8/2, I Main Road, Govindarajanagar, Bangalore-560040, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **MANJUNATHA .H** to **MANJUNATHA CHARI .H,** vide affidavit dated 09.10.2020, sworn before Advocate & Notary **V. RAJASHEKHARA,** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **SREE MONIKA ALLAM**, aged 27 years, daughter of Smt. VASANTIDEVI ALLAM and Shri SHRINIVASULU ALLAM, residing at PSTI Quarters type 4 D-2, Subramanyapura Road, BSK 2nd Stage, Bangalore - 560 070, have changed my name from **SREEMONIKA SHRINIVASULU ALLAM** to **SREE MONIKA ALLAM.** Vide affidavit dated 03-10-2020 sworn before Advocate & Notary H.S. Sakalesh Aradhya, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, Mr. N.D. Vishwanath, aged about 50 years, S/o. Sri Devarajan N.M. R/at No. 24/368, Mahadeva Nivas, Panchagramam, Nurani Palakkad, Kerala-678004 have declare that, the names **N.D. VISHWANATH** (alias) **NURANI DEVARAJAN VISHWANATH** is the name of one and the same person only. Vide affidavit dated 13-10-2020 sworn before notary, Y.R. Chandrasekar, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **TEETHI JAIN**, aged about 33 years, W/o Mr. Rishi Jain, resident of 21, Market Road, Basavanagudi, Bangalore-560004, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **TEETHI JAIN** to **RENU JAIN,** hereafter I shall be known and called as **RENU JAIN** only for all practical purposes, vide affidavit dated 08.10.2020, sworn before Advocate & Notary **N. NARAYANA SWAMY,** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **(OLD NAME) SHAIKH DANISH TAHSEEN,** Residing at No. 16, 7th Cross, 8th Main Road, Vasanthnagar, Bengaluru - 560 001, have changed my name to **(NEW NAME) SHAIK DANISH AHMED** vide affidavit dated 08.10.2020 sworn before notary R.Basavaraja, B.Com., LL.B., Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, MUTHUVEL GAJENDRAN, S/o. Suresh, aged about 35 years, R/at # 303B, Anjaneya Anugraha Appt, Immadihalli, Whitefield, Bangalore-560066, have changed my name to **MUTHUVEL CHOLAN** vide Affidavit dated 13.10.2020, sworn to before Notary M. Krishnamurthy, Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME

I **Jaya Vedula** D/o **Mr. Narasimham Vedula,** aged about 46 years, residing at Flat: B-302, Definer Serene Drive Apartments, Pettanahalli Village, Hoskote, Bengaluru - 562114, have changed my son's name from **SHREYAS PERI** to **SAI SHREYAS VEDULA** vide affidavit dated 06.10.2020 which was duly notarized before notary public C.Prakash.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **HARSH JAIN (New Name)** previously called **VIKAS JAIN (Old Name)** S/o Roopchand Jain, R/at No.64/21, 57th A Cross, 4th Block, Rajajinagar, Bengaluru 560 010, have changed my name from **VIKAS JAIN (Old Name)** to **"HARSH JAIN (New Name)"**, vide affidavit dated 13.10.2020 sworn to before Notary **K. C. Gowthami,** at Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, REEYA KHANNA PRADEEP KUMAR KHANNA, R/at Flat No. A181, Sobha Magnolia Apartment, Bannerghatta Road, Opp. Jalabhavan, Bangalore-560029, have changed my name to **REEYA KAPOOR** vide Affidavit dated 13.10.2020, sworn to before Notary Neha Baddi, Bangalore

Market Watch

MARKET			GOLD			SILVER			FOREX		
31.71 ▼	Sensex	40,625.5	₹1 ▼	24 carat (1 gm)	₹5,114.7	₹418 ▼	Per kg	₹62,188	▼	Dollar	73.35
3.55 ▼	Nifty	11,934.5	₹1 ▼	22 carat (1 gm)	₹5,094	₹0.4 ▼	Per gm	₹62.2	▼	Euro	86.17

Wipro announces ₹9,500 cr share buyback

The IT services major declared a 3.4% y-o-y decline in net profit for the second quarter and a 0.1% fall in revenue

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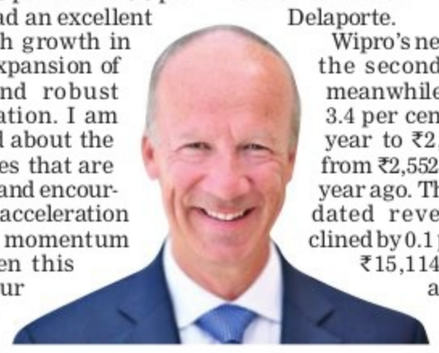
BENGALURU-headquartered IT services firm Wipro Ltd followed rival Tata Consultancy Services (TCS) into announcing a share buyback on Tuesday. The company said that it would buyback shares worth ₹9,500 crore, representing 4.32 per cent of its total paid-up equity capital or 237.5 million equity shares. This comes just a week after TCS announced a similar plan for ₹16,000 crore.

Wipro also provided a revenue guidance for the quarter ending December 2020, expecting revenue from the IT services business to range between $2,022 million to $2,062 million, translating into a sequential growth of 1.5 per cent to 3.5 per cent. "We had an excellent quarter with growth in revenues, expansion of margins and robust cash generation. I am very excited about the opportunities that are ahead of us and encouraged by the acceleration in business momentum we have seen this quarter. Our strategy is to focus on growth in prioritized sectors and markets led by vertical solution offerings," said Wipro's recently appointed chief executive officer Thierry Delaporte.



Wipro's net profit for the second quarter, meanwhile, declined 3.4 per cent year-on-year to ₹2,470 crore from ₹2,552.70 crore a year ago. The consolidated revenues declined by 0.1 per cent to ₹15,114.50 crore and operating margin for the quarter stood at 19.2 per cent, an expansion of 0.2 per cent compared to the previous quarter and 1.1 per cent year-on-year.

According to Delaporte, the company is counting on a leaner organisational structure and aggressive sales tactics to set it back on a growth trajectory.

On being asked if the company would resort to doing away with several roles in the employee pyramid during an analysts call following the second quarter results, Delaporte did not give a clear answer. Wipro's ex-CEO Abid Neemuchwala had made a similar announcement in 2016 on making the company leaner and decentralising it.

Delaporte, meanwhile, is optimistic about the company's growth prospects and margins due to returning demand, Covid-triggered digital transformation deals, and good client traction. Wipro hired 13,000 employees during the quarter with the attrition rate falling to 11 per cent from 17 per cent in the previous quarter. Chief Human Resources Officer Saurabh Govil said that promotion cycles for 80 per cent of the workforce have already been started.

LTC cash scheme may not find many takers

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THOUGH Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman has said that the fresh set of stimulus measures is expected to generate additional demand of around ₹1 lakh crore, experts remain wary of the "conditions apply" tag.

The ₹36,000 crore injection on the government's part is split between ₹28,000 crore from the leave travel concession (LTC) cash voucher scheme and ₹8,000 crore from a special festival advance scheme, according to the Centre. The finance minister estimates that the demand infusion from the LTC scheme would be ₹19,000 crore, as households indulge in festive spending, and an additional ₹9,000 crore even if half of the states follow suit.

Under the LTC scheme, an employee can avail cash payment in lieu of leave encashment as well as the fare depending on the entitlement of the employee. Further, this amount can be tax free if the employee spends three times the amount he avails and the entire leave encashment amount on non-food items with 12% GST or more.

"For instance, if a person is eligible for ₹20,000 as LTC then he may have to spend at least ₹70,000 (including ₹10,000 encashment portion) to claim the amount as tax free. Tax on ₹20,000 works out to around ₹6,240 assuming the highest tax slab," says Archit Gupta, founder and chief executive of Clear Tax.

₹36,000 cr
boost split between LTC scheme and special festival advance

₹19,000 cr
demand boost expected: FinMin

SBI group chief economic adviser Saumya Kanti Ghosh added that unless the government decides to pay the GST component over the fare entitlement amount, the scheme is highly unlikely to work. Since LTC covers not just the employee but the dependent family members, the draw down on personal income will also be huge. Ghosh says the proposal ignores the vital fact that the rise in savings is due to cutback of discretionary consumption in many groups. The group targeted by the proposal has a higher marginal propensity to save and any extra savings is more likely to not be consumed, he said.

While many argue that government workers are the least impacted in terms of salary loss, it is to be noted that 1.9 crore salaried people have lost jobs since the pandemic broke out. "Given the current job market situation, employees would have to evaluate spending thrice the amount in order to claim the benefit and this could pose a challenge," said Sudhakar Sethuraman, Partner, Deloitte India.

Stimulus packages just 2% of GDP, are more on the way?

JAYANTA ROY CHOWDHURY @ New Delhi

THE Centre's stimulus measures including announcements made on Monday may be a case of too little, too late. Analysts believe that the total fiscal stimulus from the Government till date amounts to 1.5-2 per cent of the GDP, with the stimulus package for extra spending on infrastructure and demand generation valued at 0.2 per cent of GDP.

Compared with the fiscal stimulus, including payroll support, given by other nations, this is seen as "underwhelming". While the US has come up with a stimulus package worth 13.3 per cent of its GDP, nearer home, Australia has bankrolled one worth 10.8 per cent and Singapore a massive 20 per cent.

Nomura, describing India's stimulus as "underwhelming", said that it views " the impact on both fiscal and growth as quite limited... small compared with the size of the growth hit, and reflects India's weak fiscal starting position." Capital Economics, another research firm, believes that the total value of India's fiscal stimulus adds up to 2 per cent of its GDP.

Said Prof Ravi S Srivastava, former chairman, Centre for Regional Studies, JNU, "We have long advocated far larger direct fiscal support to incomes. Delays in implementing a meaningful fiscal stimulus to prop up demand would mean recovery will take longer."

The RBI has forecast a contraction of 9.5 per cent for the fiscal year, while the IMF believes it could be in the double digits. Finance Ministry officials say they have been working on larger support programmes and aver the Centre may yet go in for them "this winter", but point out that India's weak financial position has hamstrung bolder decisions.

The Government had in May raised its borrowing target from a budgeted ₹7.8 lakh crore to ₹12 lakh crore to meet increased expenses from stimulus and healthcare programs and to take into account the reality of lower tax collections. Many now expect the fiscal deficit to widen further, even without another stimulus programme.

India's GDP to contract 10.3 % in 2020, bounce back by 8.8% next year: IMF

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

THE International Monetary Fund believes India's economy could contract in double digits —10.3 per cent— in 2020 rather than the earlier forecast of 4.5 per cent. However, the IMF now also projects that the global economy will shrink less severely than earlier expected—by 4.4 per cent compared to 5.2 per cent estimated earlier.

The Fund said in its World Economic Outlook, however, that it expects a bounce back for the Indian economy in 2021 by 8.8 per cent. This would imply that even next year, India's economy would not have recovered to pre-Covid levels.

However, this would not be true only for India. IMF Chief Economist Gita Gopinath said in a blog that "except for China, where output is expected to exceed 2019 levels this year, output in both advanced economies and emerging market and developing economies is projected to remain below 2019 levels even next year".

Global prospects better

- IMF projects 4.4% contraction for global economy this year, versus earlier forecast of 5.2%
- Except for China, output in both advanced, and developing nations to remain below 2019 levels

The IMF explained its revised forecast for India by pointing out that its GDP contracted much more severely far more than expected in the second quarter.

Outlining measures, needed to revive the global economy, Gopinath said "Governments should continue to provide income support through well targeted cash transfers, wage subsidies, and unemployment insurance. To prevent large bankruptcies and ensure workers can return to productive jobs, vulnerable but viable firms should continue to receive support—wherever possible—through tax deferrals, moratoria on debt service, and equity-like injections." She also said the crisis will likely leave scars well into the medium term as the system heals.

TODAY'S STOCK PICK

Current Price
₹4,382

Target Price
₹4,830

HDFC LTD

Despite negative operating leverage (volumes down 32% YoY), the company reported the highest ever EBITDA/t of ₹1,416, led by cost reduction across heads of expenditure. Net debt also declined by (13%) QoQ.

—Motilal Oswal Financial Services

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Vi ropes in IBM for big data unit

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TELECOM major Vodafone Idea Ltd (VIL), or Vi, on Tuesday said that it had chosen to partner with technology giant IBM for the deployment and management of its big data platform.

VIL's move will help it secure key benefits including a significant cost reduction and streamlined operational complexity, according to a statement from the telco.

"The power of data will help transform our cloud and Artificial Intelligence journey in the future," VIL Chief Technology Officer Vishant Vora said. IBM will lead the end-to-end implementation and management of the platform.

According to officials, IBM will be responsible for program management, consulting, system integration, infrastructure services, application operations and maintenance support. Apart from this, it will also help enhance network security.

"The result of this collaboration is a modernised and future-ready data platform which is helping Vodafone Idea get daily actionable insights, with its strategic and operational level decisions very effectively," Sandip Patel, Managing Director, IBM India/South Asia said.

IBM has been a strategic IT partner to Vodafone Idea for over a decade.

GO GREEN

Ather to set up 135 public EV charging units

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

ELECTRIC vehicle Startup Ather Energy will set up 135 public fast-charging stations across the country by the end of this year, according to a statement from the start-up on Tuesday.

The company has already set up 37 fast-charging stations in Bengaluru and 13 in Chennai and plans to install 6,500 charging points across the country by 2022

"Ather Grid has seen steady adoption in Bengaluru and Chennai and we believe that accessible charging infrastructure is critical before launching our products in any market we enter,"said Ravneet Singh Phokela, chief business officer. The Ather Grid fast charging network can be used by all electric two-wheelers and electric four-wheelers, and can charge the Ather 450X for 15 km in 10 minutes. Ather Energy has already finalised setting up of 135 of these public charging stations.

The company added that the installation of the grid points will begin before the deliveries of its flagship 125 CC Ather 450X scooter from next month. Ather had said the deliveries will be done in a phased manner in Benagluru and Chennai first.

Govt picks Hughes for satellite net

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

THE Centre has chosed communications infrastructure major Hughes Communications India to implement a project that will connect 5,000 remote village panchayats in border and Naxal-affected areas, as well as in island territories, with satellite broadband. This project is being undertaken under the larger BharatNet project and is to be completed by March 2021.

According to a statement from the government, the 5,000 gram panchayats are spread across the north-eastern states, including Manipur, Meghalaya, Tripura, Mizoram, Arunachal Pradesh, and areas such as the Galwan Valley in Eastern Ladakh and other locations in Andaman and Nicobar and Lakshadweep. These areas lack terrestrial connectivity, such as optical fiber or cable, which was the reason for the satellite route, Hughes said in a statement.

Under the agreement, Hughes India will enable Internet service for each gram panchayat using capacity from ISRO's GSAT-19 and GSAT-11 satellites with the Hughes Jupiter System, the de facto standard for satellite broadband implementations, in use on more than 40 satellites worldwide.

The government aims to connect all 2.5 lakh village panchayats in the country with high speed broadband services by August 2021.

Small service providers grab large chunk of new wired broadband users

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

THE past few weeks have seen India's big three telecom firms—Reliance Jio, Bharti Airtel, and Vi (Vodafone Idea)—turn much greater focus on the wired or fixed-line internet segment. But, deep pocketed as they are, recent data shows that a large number of small, local service providers have established themselves in the segment, and the minnows may yet give the whales a run for their money.

According to the most recent subscription data released by TRAI this week, the fixed-line or wired broadband segment has seen a renaissance of sorts during the peak lockdown months—no doubt one of the reasons for the heightened interest from telecom's big three.

6% rise in wired broadband users in April-July period

70% of new users bagged by small service providers

Reliance Jio and Bharti Airtel were only able to capture 28%

After a relatively flat few months, the number of wired broadband subscribers rose sharply during the month of July, with TRAI stating that this figure went up from 19.82 million at the end of June to 20.13 million at the end of July.

"After remaining flat for the past several years, this number improved at 6 per cent over April to July 2020 (1.1 million subscriber adds to reach 20 million)," noted a research note from Motilal Oswal Financial Services. However, what is surprising is the break-up of the new subscribers added, which shows that the large majority have gone to very small, "very localised", service providers.

"Reliance Jio and Bharti Airtel surprisingly gained just 28 per cent share, while 70 per cent share was bagged by small fragmented players with market shares below 5 per cent." noted the Motilal Oswal note.

Industry experts say this is due to the fact that small, local distributors were first movers in the optical fibre, hi-speed internet space. However, they also note that the market is set for disruption now that larger players are moving in.

India among top 3 FDI destinations for 2-3 years

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

INDIA has emerged as one of the top three choices for overseas investments in the next two-three years, according to a survey conducted by Confederation of Indian Industries (CII) and EY. About 30 per cent of the firms may invest over $500 million in the country, the survey pointed out.

The report notes that more than two-thirds of the multinational company (MNC) respondents and 25 per cent of non-India headquartered MNCs consider India as the first choice for investment. The respondents have pinned down market potential, skilled workforce, and political stability as the top three reasons to make India their favored destination.

The survey showed that respondents want the government to focus on infrastructure development, faster clearances and proper implementation of the improved labour laws and labour availability. In terms of Trade Policy reforms, investors have sought a faster turnaround time for value added, improved cargo handling and trade facilitation measures.

"Non-Indian HQ MNCs have also opined that major investment in infrastructure and 100 smart cities as well as financial sector reforms will also help in establishing India as a favorable destination for FDI," the survey said.

EXPRESS READ

Loan recast to take GNPAs to 11.5%: Care

New Delhi: The pandemic-induced one-time loan restructuring will spike the system-wide gross non-performing assets (GNPAs) to 11-11.5 per cent by March, says a report from Care Ratings. The report noted that it expects 4-5 per cent of the existing loans to be recognised as stressed and opt for restructuring.

Apple launches iPhone 12 at $799

New Delhi: Smartphone giant Apple strayed from convention on Tuesday launching four variants of its new iPhone 12, instead of the usual three. The newly launched iPhone 12 Mini variant is priced at $699, the iPhone 12 at $799, iPhone 12 Pro at $999 and iPhone 12 Pro Max at $1,099.

No scaling down of west coast refinery: Oil minister

New Delhi: Oil Minister Dharmendra Pradhan on Tuesday said there was no scaling down of the capacity of the planned mega 60 MTPA refinery on the west coast as it was essential to meet future fuel and petrochemical demand in the country. Pradhan also said the privatization of Bharat Petroleum Corp Ltd (BPCL) was on track but the government was treading cautiously given the size of the deal.

TEAMING UP

Zerodha's Kamath bros top Self-Made Rich List

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

WITH a wealth of ₹24,000 crore, Nithin Kamath, 40, and Nikhil Kamath, 34, the co-founder brothers of online trading platform Zerodha, have grabbed the top spot in the IIFL Wealth Hurun India 40 & Under Self-Made Rich List 2020. The duo saw their wealth increase by 58 per cent in the last year as their firm grew to become India's largest stockbroker by number of clients.

Oyo's Ritesh Agarwal, 26, meanwhile, saw his wealth decline by 40 per cent or ₹3,000 crore as the hospitality industry took the brunt of the Covid-19 pandemic. With a wealth of ₹4,500 crore, Agarwal still remains the youngest in the list. "The Covid-19 pandemic has taken a toll on the hospitality business, globally and temporarily applied breaks to Oyo's growth story," Hurun India said in a statement.

Divyank Turakhia, 38, ranks second with a wealth of ₹14,000 crore. He became a billionaire in 2016, after Media.net, a company that he founded in 2010, was sold for $1 billion. He is currently on a break and searching for the next big opportunity.

Amod Malviya, 39, Sujeet Kumar, 40, and Vaibhav Gupta, 40, of B2B commerce company Udaan are placed in the third position. Their wealth increased by 274 per cent to ₹13,100 crore. For the second consecutive year, each of them are the biggest wealth gainers on the list. With a wealth of ₹7,800 crore, Riju Ravindran, 39, of online education platform Byju's secured the sixth spot. Co-founders of Flipkart Binny Bansal, 37, and Sachin Bansal, 39, with a wealth of ₹7500 crore each share the seventh position.Since their exit from Flipkart, Binny has invested in several start-ups while Sachin has co-founded, and is CEO of, Navi, a neo-bank start-up based in Bengaluru.

"Some of them have fully or partly exited their core businesses and are setting up investment funds and backing other young entrepreneurs. This will have a compounding effect on the growth of disruptive entrepreneurship in India," said Anas Rahman Junaid, MD, Hurun India.

IPL no longer a batting bash

Due to slowness of pitches, scoring in general and chasing in particular, gets tougher in UAE

ATREYO MUKHOPADHYAY
@Chennai

IT is not always noticed in the din over the sixes, oohs and aahs. Batting, especially in the second innings, is becoming progressively difficult in the IPL. The first round of 28 matches saw a record for the highest successful chase and 11 totals above 200. But they do not tell the full story.

Known to be a batsman's tournament, IPL over the years has helped shape the concept that no total is safe in limited-over cricket. But the end of the first half shows a new trend. Teams batting first won 19 of the first 28 games and teams batting second seven. The tally leaves out two matches which were tied and decided in the Super Over.

There is a significant rise in matches won by teams batting first. This may come as a revelation to the common fan. Experts had foreseen it because IPL matches this year are played in just three venues instead of the minimum of eight in India. So wear and tear on pitches would be more. Add desert heat to the excessive use of pitches, with matches in one place every second or third day, the result would invariably be surfaces becoming slower, offering less bounce.

After 28 matches

Year	Won batting 1st	Won batting 2nd
2017	13	15
2018	13	15
2019	10	17
2020	19	7

(1 tie in 2019 & 2 ties in 2020 not counted)

"The BCCI deserves credit for organising IPL in the UAE. But I am surprised to see that no pitch curator from India has travelled. We could have had three Indians curators in each of the three venues. They are well trained and versed with the requirements of IPL, where you make pitches where the ball comes through and facilitates stroke-play," said Daljit Singh, former head of the BCCI's grounds and pitches committee.

"As the tournament has gone on, batting has become more difficult. If you play on three grounds instead of eight, pitches will get slower. If pitches do not get adequate rest, scoring will become more challenging and it will be more of a struggle for teams batting second," said former all-rounder Rajat Bhatia, who was part of the 2012 IPL-winning Kolkata Knight Riders squad. "Importance of spinners will increase. We will see more low-scoring matches in the later stages."

In the last week or so, teams have thrice defended totals in the 160s and those who made above 180 won big. "Pitches must be rotated so that they can recover. It's important to save them from scorching on non-match days. Too much watering and use of heavy roller should be avoided," said Daljit. Not a batsman's game anymore?

Full story: newindianexpress.com

Transfer window opens

The IPL's mid-season trading window opened on Tuesday at the end of the first round. A look at the talking points...

WHAT IS IT?

Like January transfer window, this has been brought in with a view to provide opportunity to players who are not in a team's scheme of things. If there is mutual consent between teams, a player can be traded for a fee which the franchises need not reveal. However, players won't be allowed to play against the lending team.

WHO ARE ELIGIBLE?

All players who have not taken part in more than two matches this IPL are allowed to trade. Last season, only uncapped players were allowed. However, there were no transfers in 2019.

IS THERE ANY CHANCE?

So far no. IPL introduced this based on popular demand, but franchises have not shown interest as it can lead to team strategies getting leaked. Franchises are not keen also because this strengthens their opponents.

BIG NAMES WAITING Ajinkya Rahane (DC), Imran Tahir (CSK), Chris Lynn (MI), Lockie Ferguson (KKR), Mitchell Santner (CSK), Fabien Allen (SRH), Moeen Ali (RCB) can all be transferred if the teams concerned find takers.

A few firsts & lifeline for CSK

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE

STOP the press. Maybe Chennai Super Kings' demise was exaggerated a touch. There is still some life left in the old dog yet. On Tuesday, they played a near perfect T20 match against Sunrisers Hyderabad in Dubai for their third win this year. A loss would have almost killed off their chances of qualifying for the knockout stages.

The 20-run win was based on a few things they did for the first time this IPL. After their last match, skipper MS Dhoni spoke about the importance of being more expressive with the bat. "Our worry remains the batting department. In the coming games, we will try to be more expressive."

There was more than a grain of truth in that statement. They had been unsure, there was next to no intent and some of the batsmen had used the middle overs to further the art of the perfect forward defence.

Chennai's Shane Watson top-scored with 42 against Hyderabad | SPORTZPICS

There was none of that against Hyderabad, at least in the opening exchanges. Chennai showed intent. After winning the toss, MS Dhoni opted to bat — a first this IPL — and the sight of Sam Curran walking out was an indication that the penny had dropped.

The way the southpaw attacked the powerplay suggested that. He score 31 off 21. Shane Watson hit 42 off 38 and Ambati Rayudu made 41 off 34. After Dhoni and Ravindra Jadeja helped the team to 75 runs in the last seven overs, the target of 168 on a slowish, wearing wicket was going to be tricky.

And that's what transpired as the bowlers mixed and matched their pace. They were also aided by a lethargic Hyderabad batting unit.

Brief scores: CSK 167/6 in 20 ovs (Watson 42, Rayudu 41) **beat** SRH 147/8 in 20 ovs (Williamson 57).

IPL TOPPERS

ORANGE CAP	PURPLE CAP
KL RAHUL	RABADA
387 RUNS	17 WKTS
SIX-O-METER	FAIRPLAY
388	KKR

Updated till CSK-SRH match

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RR vs DC HEAD-TO-HEAD RR 11, DC 10

RR seek revenge

After snapping a four-match losing streak against Sunrisers Hyderabad, Rajasthan Royals play Delhi Capitals in Dubai on Wednesday, looking to make up for their first leg loss...

TOP-ORDER CONCERN FOR RR

In seven matches they played so far, Rajasthan have lost two wickets once and three wickets thrice in powerplay. At the top, batsmen have not fired. Steve Smith and Sanju Samson started the season with two half-centuries each but reached double figures only once in next five matches. Jos Buttler too has just one fifty in six matches.

ALL-ROUND DELHI

Despite losing to Mumbai in the last match, Delhi still remain one of the consistent teams. Skipper Shreyas Iyer, Prithvi Shaw and Shikhar Dhawan are in form while Marcus Stoinis too has come good with two fifties. They also have an attacking bowling unit with Kagiso Rabada leading the pack. Spinners Ravichandran Ashwin and Axar Patel have also been economical.

74

Shreyas Iyer needs 74 to complete 2000 runs.

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Washington, the unsung hero of powerplay

ASHIM SUNAM @Bengaluru

IF the first half of IPL 2020 was a Hollywood movie, Washington Sundar would have been a serious contender for the best supporting role. The Royal Challengers Bangalore off-spinner has just five scalps, but his contribution in the powerplay has been pivotal to the team's good showing so far.

Sample these numbers: He has just conceded three fours in 11 overs of powerplay bowling and gone at 4.5 runs per over during the period, which is incredible considering that batsmen are looking to take advantage of fielding restrictions. Of the 66 deliveries, 27 were dots.

After bowling outside the powerplay in first two games, Virat Kohli introduced Washington in the second over against Mumbai Indians. He dismissed Rohit Sharma and conceded seven in his first three overs. His overall figures read 4-0-12-1. These numbers were special in a match that saw 402 runs scored. Ever since, the spinner has been a miser in the first six. His figures in the next four matches in this period have been —2-0-12-0, 3-0-17-0, 2-0-11-2, 1-0-3-0.

Like he said after Monday's match, Washington's approach has been simple. He does not have many variations, but makes up for that with smart line, length and thinking. He hardly bowls a loose delivery. He bows stump-to-stump from a low trajectory.

"He is not giving any room to the batsmen. He is tucking them up and not allowing them to free their arms," former spinner Maninder Singh told this daily. Washington is not known to give the ball air and Maninder sees a reason for it. "The format is such where batsmen are always going to take a chance, even if a bowler is bowling tight, like what Sundar is doing. If batsmen are taking risks, why should spinners take that chance?"

Full story: newindianexpress.com

EXPRESS READ

Ron tests positive for Covid-19

LISBON: Cristiano Ronaldo has tested positive for coronavirus, the Portuguese football federation announced. Ronaldo "is asymptomatic" and "will not play against Sweden" in Wednesday's Nations League match, the federation said. Rest of the Portugal team has tested negative after Tuesday's coronavirus tests.

LIVE TODAY

BADMINTON	FOOTBALL
Denmark Open, Day 2: Star Sports 3 @12:30 pm	Nations League: Sony Pictures Networks @9.30 pm

Selection trials in Nov for wrestling

CHENNAI: With United World Wrestling deciding to keep 2020 Senior World Championships in Belgrade, from December 12 to 20, the WFI is planning for trials to select the team for the event. The final call on worlds will be taken on November 6. Bajrang Punia (65kg), Vinesh Phogat (53), Ravi Dahiya (57) and Sunil Kumar (87, Greco-Roman) will be the automatic selection but according to WFI, in other weight categories, trials will be conducted. Among them will be wrestlers from 74kg in men's freestyle.

SFI's plan to reinvent

SRINIDHI PR @Chennai

Reinvent. In short, it is what the Swimming Federation of India (SFI) wants to do in the next few years. The federation announced on Tuesday its long-term road map which includes setting up of a national talent pool, investing in high-performance technology and having around 3000 coaches in five years.

The aim is to taste success in the 2022 Asian and Commonwealth Games leading up to the 2024 and 2028 Olympics and beyond. The SFI announced a five-year partnership with Australian sports education and consultation company Moregold Sports, to improve competitive coaching in India.

To identify young talent, the federation will form six zones across the country and set up a zonal talent identification task force. Designated coaches in each zone will act as talent scouts. "We want to standardise talent identification matrix and protocol based on expert advise on sports science," said SFI secretary general Monal Chokshi during a virtual press conference on Tuesday.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

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PROPERTY DESCRIPTION :- ALL THAT PIECE AND PARCEL OF THE PROPERTY OF THE IMMOVABLE RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY BEARING SITE NO. 246, NEW CORPORATION NO. 246-407, FORMED IN SURVEY NO. 9 TO 15 AND 56, LAYOUT FORMED BY THE BANGALORE DEVOLOPMENT AUTHORITY, SITUATED AT YEDIYUR NAGASANDRA LAYOUT, BANASHANKARI 2ND STAGE, BANGALORE. PRESENTLY WITHIN LIMITS OF BRUHAT BANGALORE MAHANAGARA PALIKE, IT HAS ASSIGNED THE PROPERTY WITH MUNICIPAL NEW NO. 407, (OLD NO.246) AT 7TH 'A' CROSS ROAD, SHASTRINAGAR, BANGALORE, WARD NO. 59 HAVING PID NO. 59-41/407, NEW PID NO. 167-W0224-22-407. MEASURING EAST TO WEST: (29.6+28.0/2) FEET, NORTH TO SOUTH: 34 FEET, TOTALLY MEASURING 977.5 SQUARE FEET AND BOUNDED ON THE EAST BY: PROPERTY BEARING SITE NO.247, WEST BY: PROPERTY BEARING SITE NO.245, NORTH BY: ROAD, AND SOUTH BY: PROPERTY BEARING SITE NO. 254 TOGETHER WITH 18 SQUARES OF RCC ROOFED HOUSE WITH MOSAIC FLOORING, WALLS ARE OF CEMENT AND BRICKS, DOORS AND WINDOWS ARE MADE OF HONE WOOD, WITH ALL CIVIC AMENITIES LIKE ELECTRICITY, WATER AND SANITARY ETC.

IN CASE OF ANY CLARIFICATION/REQUIREMENT REGARDING ASSETS UNDER SALE, PLEASE CONTACT **MR. PRADEEP KUMAR (+91 7624983109) OR MS. ANISHA SHINDE (022-67410442), MR. KEERTHINATH SHANKAR (+91 9742027742), MR. RAJENDRA DAHIYA (+91 8448264515) & MR. AKASH SAXENA (+91 8860001910)**

FOR DETAILED TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE SALE, PLEASE REFER TO THE LINK http://phoenixarc.co.in/saleauction.php?id=NjQz PROVIDED IN PHOENIX ARC PRIVATE LIMITED'S WEBSITE I.E. WWW.PHOENIXARC.CO.IN AND/OR ON HTTPS://PHOENIXARC.AUCTIONTIGER.NET

Authorised Officer
Place: BANGALORE
Date: 14.10.2020
Phoenix ARC Private Limited
(ACTING AS A TRUSTEE OF PHOENIX TRUST FY18-1 SCHEME B)

KARNATAKA STATE FINANCIAL CORPORATION
H.O: Recovery Department, 'KSFC Bhavan' No.1/1, Thimmaiah Road, Near Cantonment Railway Station, Bengaluru – 560 052. Mail Address: rec@ksfc.co
P No. 080-22250128, M:9945075636

SALE OF ASSET THROUGH E-AUCTION

Notice is hereby given to the effect that the immovable property described herein have been notionally taken over under the provisions of Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Asset & Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (SARFAESI) and in exercise of powers conferred U/s 13(4) read with Rule No.9 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 Act will be sold through e-auction on `**AS IS WHERE IS BASIS**'

Name of the Unit: M/s Bhagiratha Lime & Chemicals Ltd., Raichur
Name of the Directors: 1) Sri K V Vittal Rao 2) Smt.P G Vanaja
Name of the Secured Creditors: KSFC & KSIIDC have paripassu charges.
Dues Position: KSFC : As on 10.03.2020 Rs.5273.95 lakh
KSIIDC : As on 25.9.2020 Rs.9985.14 lakh

Description of property: (i) All that piece & parcel of residential property bearing No.113, Halagevaderahalli, BEML Layout, Raja Rajeswarinagar, Opp: Swarga Rani School, Near Shakthi Hill Resorts, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore site measuring 40' x 60' (2400 sq.ft.) builtup area 1300 sq.ft.(ground floor) and bounded on East by : Site No.112, West by Site No.114, North by : Road and South by : Site No.136 standing in the name of Smt.K R Padma.

Reserve Price : Rs. 139.92 Lakh **EMD: Rs.14.00 Lakh**

(ii) All that piece and parcel of the residential property bearing No.431/D, SRI NILAYA, 1st `B' Cross, 1st Main Road, (Near Dr.B R Ambedkar Park), 8th Block, Koramangala, Bangalore site measuring 9.15 mtrs. x 13.50 mtrs. (about 1325 sq.ft.) along with building thereon with total built up area bout 1824 sq.ft. with ground floor, first floor and bounded on East by Site No.431 E, West by : Site No.431-C, North by : Private Property and South by : Road, standing in the name of Smt.K R Padma.

Reserve Price: Rs.119.07 lakh EMD : Rs.12.00 lakh

Date of Inspection : 28.10.2020 between 11.00 a.m. to 2.00 p.m
E-Auction commences on 17.11.2020 at 11.00 a.m. and close on 24.11.2020 at 11.00 a.m. The last date for submission of EMD is on 23.11.2020 at 4.00 p.m.

Terms & Conditions: (1) The sale is through e-auction and as detailed in website **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in**. The interested persons are advised to visit the aforesaid website. **(2)** This is also a 30 days statutory notice for sale of secured asset to the Directors/owners/LR's of the property as contemplated under rules 8(6) and 9(1) of the said Act. **(3)** Further they are also requested to mobilise more prospective buyers to participate in the sale proceedings to safeguard their interest. **(4)** For more details on participation of e-auction, please contact e-procurement helpdesk No.080-46010000 / 22631200. **(5)** All statutory dues and other dues /taxes payable to local authorities/ State ESCOMS/ developmental charges if any are payable by the purchaser.

Sd/-
Date: 13.10.2020
Place: Bangalore
Authorised Officer & Asst.Gen.Manager (R)
Karnataka State Financial Corporation

KARNATAKA POWER CORPORATION LIMITED
(RAICHUR THERMAL POWER STATION)
CIN : U85110KA1970SGC001919

No:KPCL/2020-21/OW/WORK_INDENT10477 Dated: 07.10.2020

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION

RTPS, KPCL invites bids through GoK e-Procurement Platform **www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in** under **"WORKS"** category from Class-III & above contractors registered in KPCL for the **work of Modification/Improvements to the Coal Bhavan Canteen in CHP area at RTPS.** Last date & Time for Bid submission: 16.10.2020 upto 15:00 Hours. Date & Time for opening of Technical Bid: 18.10.2020 at 15:00 Hours. Date & Time for opening of Financial : 18.10.2020 at 16:00 Hours. Any further details can be had from **The Executive Engineer (RTM),** RTPS/KPCL, Shakthinagar-584170, Raichur Dist., Karnataka. Tel: 08532-246135. Mobile: +91 94495 96577. **Website: www.karnatakapower.com**

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank
Rajajinagar II Block Branch, Bangalore-560021.
(A Government Of India Undertaking)
(Head Office: Bangalore)

APPENDIX IV under Act- Rule 8 (1)

POSSESSION NOTICE (For Immovable Property)

The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the **Rajajinagar II Block Branch, Bangalore-560021.** Under Securitisation And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (Act 54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a Demand Notice dated **16.07.2019** calling upon the borrower **Mr.Gajanan B Pattan** No. 3/240, 1st A Main Govindappa Layout Nagashettyhalli RMV 2nd Stage Bangalore-560094 to repay the amount mentioned in the notice, being **Rs. 28,98,152.01/-** (Rupees Twenty Eight Lakhs Ninety Eight Thousand One Hundred Fifty Two and One Paisa Only) as on **16.07.2019** within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrower/Guarantor/Mortgagor having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general, that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him / her under section 13 (4) of the said Act, read with Rule 8 & 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this **08 day of October of the year 2020**

The Borrower/Guarantor/Mortgagor in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the **Canara Bank** for an amount of **Rs. 28,98,152.01/-**(Rupees Twenty Eight Lakhs Ninety Eight Thousand One Hundred Fifty Two and One Paisa Only) as on **16.07.2019** and interest thereon.

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Shedule-B:

Item No-I: All that piece and parcel of property being converted land bearing old Sy No. 79, New Sy no 79/2, situated at Hirandahalli Village , Bidarahalli Hobli, Earlier Bangalore South Taluk, Presently Bangalore East Taluk Measuring About 1AC, with all rights appurtenances whatsoever hereunder or underneath or above the surface and bounded on the : East by : Sy No 78 belongs to Sri Ramaprasad, West by : Remaining portion of land in sy No.79/1, North by : Land bearing present Sy No 80/4 (Item-II property), South by : Sy No 79/1 belonged to Sri H M Ramappa

Item No-II: All that piece and parcel of property being converted land bearing Sy No. 80/4, situated at Hirandahalli Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Earlier Bangalore South Taluk, Presently Bangalore East Taluk Measuring about 23 Guntas with all rights appurtenances whatsoever hereunder or underneath or above the surface and bounded on the : East by : Sy No. 78 Belonged to Sri M Ramaiah, West by : Sy No.80/3 Belonged to Sri Yalangamma, North by : Road, South by : Land bearing old Sy No 79, Present Sy No.79/2 (item No-I)

Composite Schedule: All that Piece And parcel of Property Presently bears the khata No's 615/79/2 & 1420/80/4 Converted land bearing Old Sy No 79 New No 79/2, Measuring about 1 Acre, Sy No 80/4 Measuring about 23 guntas situated at Hirandahalli Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Earlier Bangalore South, Presently Bangalore East Taluk, both the lands together totally measures about 1Ac 23 Guntas with all rights appurtenances whatsoever hereunder or underneath or above the surface and bounded on the : East by : Sy No. 78, West by : Sy No 79/1 and 80/3, North by : Road, South by : Sy No 79/1.

Flat Schedule: Flat No 309 in the third floor of the apartment building known as Pinnacle having a super built up area of 1027 sq ft containing two bedrooms, along with one car parking space including proportionate share in common areas such as passage, lobbies, staircase etc., together with 339 sq ft undivided share of the land comprised in schedule property

Date : 08.10.2020
Place :Bangalore
Sd/-Authorized Officer
Canara Bank

GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA
HYDERABAD METROPOLITAN WATER SUPPLY & SEWERAGE BOARD
O/o Chief General Manager (Engg), STP Circle-II, Khairatabad, Hyderabad, Telangana State-500004.

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI)

Expression of Interest (EOI) for Consultancy services for preparation of Detailed Project Report with demand survey for identifying the prospective users in various sectors and potentiality of usage of Tertiary Quality treated wastewater expected to be generated from the existing and proposed STPs of HMWSSB"

EoI.No. 01/HMWSSB/CGM(E)/STP Circle-II/Treated Wastewater/EOI/2020-21, Dated: 13.10.2020

The Hyderabad Metropolitan Water Supply and Sewerage Board (HMWSSB) intends to engage the consultants for taking up Consultancy services for preparation of **"Detailed Project Report with demand survey for identifying the prospective users in various sectors and potentiality of usage of Tertiary Quality treated wastewater expected to be generated from the existing and proposed STPs of HMWSSB"**. The Expressions of Interest (EOI) is hereby invited from the reputed consultants having experience in similar nature of projects performed to Government Departments and the consultant should have tie up with premium education institution / university such as ITTs / IIITs / BITs for performing this study. They are required to furnish their credentials indicating that they are qualified to perform the said services with client certificates on similar assignments, organization details with their technical expertise of personnel, projects etc capable to undertake such assignments.

The interested consultants may submit their EOI along with a DD for **Rs.10,000/-** drawn in favor of HMWSSB to the **Chief General Manager(E), STP Circle-II, HMWSSB, 5th Floor, Administrative Building, Khairatabad, Hyderabad** on or before **26.10.2020 upto 5.00 PM,** to issue RFP & TOR document.

Sd/- Chief General Manager (Engg), STP Circle-II, Khairatabad, Hyderabad, Telangana State-500004.

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[See rule 8 (1)]
POSSESSION NOTICE
(For immovable property)

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorised Officer of The South Indian Bank Ltd. under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued demand notice dated 21.08.2019 u/s. 13(2) of the Act calling upon the borrowers, **Mr. Avula Srihari**, S/o Sri Avula Venkataratnam and **Mrs. Avula Siddamma**, W/o Sri Avula Venkataratnam both of them residing at: Adivi Colony, Malavya Nagar, Gudur-524102., also at: No.2, 6th Cross,9th Main, Opp to Divya Jyothi Apartments, S.T. Bed Lay out, Koramangala, Bangalore:560034., also at: Flat No D-5, 3rd Floor, MAK'S SUNDANCE, Electronic City, Doddathogurr Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk-560100 to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being Rs.15,18,124.57 (Rupees Fifteen Lakh Eighteen Thousand One Hundred and Twenty Four and fifty seven paise only) with further interest, penal interest and costs within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has taken symbolic possession of property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under Sub Section (4) of Section 13 of the Act read with rule 8 of the Security and Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 on this the 12th day of October, 2020.

The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the properties and any dealings with the properties will be subject to the charge of The South Indian Bank Ltd. for an amount of Rs.18,12,449.00 (Rupees Eighteen Lakh Twelve Thousand Four Hundred and Forty Nine only) as on 11.10.2020 with further interest, penal interest and costs thereon.

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of Sub Section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets.

Description of Immovable property

Residential flat with 3 bedrooms bearing number D-5 in the (3rd) third floor of the apartment building called "Mak's Sundance" admeasuring super built up area of 1600 Sq.Ft together with car parking space in the basement floor, with all amenities and rights on the common areas, passages, lobbies and other amenities and areas and 3.05% equivalent to 611.27 Sq.ft undivided right, title and interest on the immovable property in Sy No.48 admeasuring 18.365 guntas equivalent to 20,000 Sq ft, of Doddathoguru Village, Begur Hobli , Bangalore South Taluk, in the name of Sri Avula Srihari vide Sale deed No.1970/2007-08 dated 19.12.2007 of SRO Begur.

Boundaries of the land:

East by Govt. Road, West by Property belonging to R.Bharathi [Remaning lands in Sy No48], North by Road and South by Vinayaka Temple and Krishnareddy and Son's land (Sy No.47)

Date: 12.10.2020
Place: Bangalore
Authorised Officer
The South Indian Bank Ltd.

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EXFILE

TRANSPOLAR DRIFT

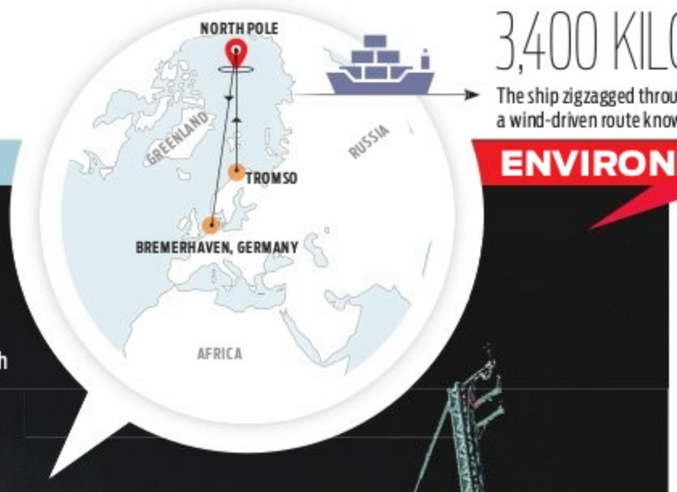
An icebreaker carrying scientists on a year-long international effort to study the high Arctic has returned to Bremerhaven, its home port in Germany, carrying a wealth of data that will help researchers better predict climate change. We take a look

MULTI-NATIONAL TEAM

Mission leader Markus Rex and his team of 300 scientists from 20 countries were part of this project

EPICENTRE OF CLIMATE CHANGE

Ahead of their return, the scientists said they had seen for themselves the dramatic effects of global warming on ice in the region considered 'the epicentre of climate change'



NAME: RV POLARSTERN

GROSS TONNAGE	LENGTH X BREADTH	YEAR BUILT	DAY JOURNEY COMMENCED
12,614	117.91 X 25 METER	1982	20 Sept, 2019

We witnessed how the Arctic ocean is dying... We saw this process right outside our windows, or when we walked on the brittle ice

Markus Rex, mission leader, Alfred Wegener Institute

ICE-FREE ARCTIC

Underlining how much of the sea ice has melted away, Rex said the mission was able to sail through large patches of open water, "sometimes stretching as far as the horizon"

If the warming trend in the North Pole continues, in a few decades we will have "an ice-free Arctic in the summer", Rex added

3,400 KILOMETRES

The ship zigzagged through 3,400 km of ice along a wind-driven route known as the transpolar drift

389 DAYS

Number of days the vessel spent drift through the Arctic ice

$165 MN

ESTIMATED COST OF THE EXPEDITION

ENVIRONMENT

DATA COLLECTION

The Polarstern mission, dubbed MOSAIC, spent more than a year collecting data on the atmosphere, ocean, sea ice and ecosystems to help assess the impact of climate change on the region and the world

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Observational sites were set up on the sea ice in a radius of up to 40 kilometres around the ship

Researchers collected water samples from beneath the ice during the polar night to study plant plankton and bacteria and better understand how the marine ecosystem functions under extreme conditions

CORONAVIRUS IMPACT

However, the biggest threat was the coronavirus pandemic in the spring, which left the crew stranded at the North Pole for two months.

A multinational team of scientists was expected to fly to relieve those who had already spent several months on the ice

But the plan had to be redrawn when flights were cancelled across the world as governments scrambled to halt the spread of the coronavirus

150 TERABYTE

of data collected, including 1,000+ ice samples

POLAR BEAR ENCOUNTERS

Since the ship departed from Tromso in Norway on September, 2019, the crew have seen long months of complete darkness, temperatures as low as -39.5°C and more than 60 polar bears

A shot had to be fired to warn off a polar bear that came too close

BIG APPETITE

During the first three months, the ship's cargo included 14,000 eggs, 2,000 litres of milk and 200 kilogrammes of rutabaga, a root vegetable

US man gets Covid-19 twice, second infection more severe

Researchers say patient could have been exposed to a very high level of the virus the second time, triggering a more acute reaction

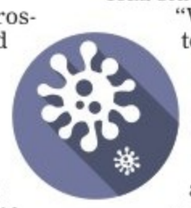
SCIENCE

PARIS: Covid-19 patients may experience more severe symptoms the second time they are infected, according to a research released on Tuesday confirming it is possible to catch the potentially deadly disease more than once.

A study published in *The Lancet Infectious Diseases* journal charts the first confirmed case of Covid-19 reinfection in the United States — the country worst hit by the pandemic — and indicates that exposure to the virus may not guarantee future immunity.

The patient, a 25-year-old Nevada man, was infected with two distinct variants of SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes Covid-19, within a 48-day time frame. The second infection was more severe than the first, resulting in the patient being hospitalised with oxygen support. The paper noted four other cases of reinfection confirmed globally, with one patient each in Belgium, the Netherlands, Hong Kong and Ecuador.

Experts said the prospect of reinfection could have a profound impact on how the world battles through the pandemic.



In particular, it could influence the hunt for a vaccine — the currently Holy Grail of pharmaceutical research.

"The possibility of reinfections could have significant implications for our understanding of Covid-19 immunity, especially in the absence of an effective vaccine," said Mark Pandori, for the Nevada State Public Health Laboratory and lead study author.

"We need more research to understand how long immunity may last for people exposed to SARS-CoV-2 and why some of these second infections, while rare, are presenting as more severe."

Vaccines work by triggering the body's natural immune response to a certain pathogen, arming it with antibodies it to fight off future waves of infection. But it is not at all clear how long Covid-19 antibodies last. For some diseases, such as measles, infection confers lifelong immunity. For other pathogens, immunity may be fleeting at best.

The authors said the US patient could have been exposed to a very high dose of the virus the second time around, triggering a more acute reaction.

Alternatively, it may have been a more virulent strain of the virus. Another hypothesis is a mechanism known as antibody dependent enhancement — that is, when antibodies actually make subsequent infections worse, such as with dengue fever.

The researchers pointed out that reinfection of any kind remains rare, with only a handful of confirmed cases out of tens of millions of Covid-19 infections globally.

However, since many cases are asymptomatic and therefore unlikely to have tested positive initially, it may be impossible to know if a given Covid-19 case is the first or second infection.

In a linked comment to *The Lancet* paper, Akiko Iwasaka, a professor of Immunobiology and Molecular, Cellular and Developmental Biology at Yale University, said the findings could impact public health measures. "This information is key to understanding which vaccines are capable of crossing that threshold to confer individual and herd immunity," said Iwasaka, who was not involved in the study.

Reinfection cases mean that in some people, the immune response is not enough to protect them from infection or disease. Reinfections from SARS-CoV-2 (the virus that causes Covid-19) mean that immunity acquired through natural infection is not perfect

Akiko Iwasaka, Yale University

EXPRESS QUIZ

WORLD FOOD DAY

1 **Food is a fundamental human right and requisite for human survival. World Food Day, an international day observed on 16 October every year to commemorate which of the below?**
a) Founding anniversary of the Food and Agriculture Organization
b) Inaugural anniversary of the World Food Programme
c) Silver jubilee International Fund For Agricultural Development
d) Centenary of Action Against Hunger, a global humanitarian organisation

2 **Hunger and malnutrition remain an enormous challenge and continue to be a matter of concern to developing countries. When was World Food Day first observed?**
a) 1973 b) 1981
c) 1996 d) 2003

3 **Nearly 26 crore people were undernourished in India between 2004-06. The number was brought down to 19 crore between 2015-17. Which of the initiatives and schemes were launched by the Indian government to deal with malnutrition?**
a) Integrated Child Development Service Programme (ICDS), Mid-Day Meal (MDM)
b) UNICEF Assistance for Women and Children, Special Nutrition Programme (SNP), World Food Programme Project
c) CARE Assisted Nutrition Programmes, Balwadi Nutrition Programme, Mothers Absolute Affection
d) All of the above

4 **"Zero hunger" is one of the Sustainable Development Goals aimed at ending hunger and malnutrition by 2030. Which of the below is incorrect concerning the salient features of The National Food Security Bill 2013?**
a) Up to 75% of the rural and 50% of the urban population will be covered under the Targeted Public Distribution System
b) Foodgrains will be given at subsidized prices for 15 years
c) Pregnant women and lactating mothers entitled to nutritious meals and maternity benefit of at least Rs.6,000 for six months
d) Pregnant women, lactating mothers and children in the age group of 6 months to 14 years will be entitled nutritional support and Mid-Day Meal

5 **Food waste is a serious global issue that affects the economy, health index, mortality rates and the environment. 40% of the food produced in the US gets wasted. Which act was enacted in the United States to reduce food waste?**
a) Food Recovery Act of 2016
b) Bill Emerson Good Samaritan Food Donation Act 1996
c) Federal Food Donation Act in 2008
d) All of the above

KEY: 1A 2B 3D 4B 5D

Quizmaster **Sunil Dhavala** is a media entrepreneur. This alumnus of Indian Institute of Foreign Trade has held senior roles at Bertelsmann, National Geographic, Fox Broadcasting, Star TV and WPP.

How long does Covid illness last?

HEALTH

WASHINGTON: How long can I expect a Covid-19 illness to last?

It depends. Most coronavirus patients have mild to moderate illness and recover quickly. Older, sicker patients tend to take longer to recover. That includes those who are obese, or have high blood pressure and other chronic diseases.

The World Health Organization says recovery typically takes two to six weeks. One US study found that around 20 per cent of non-hospitalised individuals ages 18 to 34 still had symptoms at least two weeks after becoming ill. The same was true for nearly half of people age 50 and older.

Among those sick enough to be hospitalised, a study in Italy found 87 per cent were still experiencing symptoms two months after getting sick. Lingering symptoms included fatigue and shortness of breath.

It is also hard to predict which patients will develop complications after their initial illness subsides.

Precise therapeutic leukaemia vaccine

INNOVATION

BEIJING: In a major study, researchers have developed a new type of precise therapeutic vaccine against leukaemia — a cancer of blood-forming tissues, including bone marrow.

Although the possibility of treating leukaemia through vaccination has been established, therapeutic performance still falls short of expectations in the clinic.

According to the study, published in the journal *Nature Biomedical Engineering*, the vaccine utilises self-healing polylactic acid microcapsules for co-encapsulating a new epitope peptide and PD-1 antibody.

In the novel vaccine, epitope peptides and PD-1 antibodies can be simply, mildly and efficiently loaded into polylactic acid microcapsules, facilitated by the unique self-healing feature of the microcapsule.

"With the advantages of FDA-approved polylactic acid material, convenience in preparing the vaccine formulation, diversity of vaccine components and excellent therapeutic effect, the microcapsule-based vaccine exhibits potential for clinical translation," the authors wrote.

TREE OF COLOURS

A man jogs past a maple tree in autumn colours on Monday, at a park in Kansas City. With more than 120 species and mostly occurring in Asia, the maple tree has become synonymous with Canadian culture throughout the world | AP

Messenger receives a makeover

TECH

SAN FRANCISCO: Facebook on Tuesday introduced a brand new look for Messenger, including a new logo and default chat colour as well as new chat themes, like love and tie-dye and custom reactions.

The company has also announced features like selfie stickers and vanish mode, which are coming soon.

Messenger recently announced cross-app communication with Instagram, which will be rolled out to most users in North America soon. Along with the logo and default chat colour, Messenger also rolled out chat themes, like love and tie-dye, and custom reactions.

Late last month, Facebook announced to connect the Messenger and Instagram for cross-app chat with bringing some of the best Messenger features to the platform. Last year, Mark Zuckerberg detailed his vision for cross-app messaging across its family of apps, including end-to-end encrypted WhatsApp, that raised eyeballs globally.

INVESTIGATION

Algae behind Kamchatka's marine disaster: Russian scientist

ECOLOGY

MOSCOW: The mass death of sea creatures in Russia's Kamchatka region was caused by toxins from microalgae rather than man-made pollution, a senior Russian scientist said on Monday, citing preliminary findings of an investigation.

Locals on the volcanic peninsula in the Pacific raised the alarm in September as surfers experienced stinging eyes and sea creatures, including octopuses, seals and sea urchins, were found dead on the shore.

Scientists suggested that up to 95 percent of marine life living along the seabed in the affected area had died.

Conservation activists had raised concern that the source of the pollution could be a Soviet era storage ground for poisonous chemicals on Kamchatka that might have seeped out into the sea.

"I am sure that we are facing a large-scale phenomenon, but not an uncommon one for Kamchatka, called harmful blooming algae," the vice president of Russia's Academy of Sciences, Andrei Adrianov, told journalists on Monday.

He said that water samples showed a "high concentration only of Gymnodinium (microalgae)", which produces "toxins that affect invertebrates".

Adrianov added that the same toxins could have also caused the symptoms experienced by divers and surfers.

Last week, scientists said the pollution had formed a 40-kilometre-long slick which has been moving south towards Japan and the disputed Kuril islands. Activists of Russia's Greenpeace branch have voiced concern that the "situation is not improving" and dead animals continue washing up on beaches.

Adrianov, on the other hand, said "nature is regenerating itself and very quickly".

Earlier probe results presented by regional authorities said the local bays showed above-permitted levels of phenol and petroleum products. Locals have been warned to avoid the beaches.

Coming just months after a massive oil leak in Siberia, the latest incident sparked a public outcry with a petition calling for an "open investigation" into the events so far garnering over 175,000 signatures.

Meanwhile, Russian investigators have launched a criminal probe over the illegal handling of dangerous substances and "pollution of the marine environment".

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DAY'S DIARY

To a new religion

On this day in 1956, BR Ambedkar, decided to quit Hinduism and take up Buddhism, along with close to 3,65,000 of his followers, in Nagpur

BR AMBEDKAR

Bhimrao Ramji Ambedkar, popularly known as Babasaheb, was an Indian jurist, economist, politician and social reformer who chaired the drafting committee of the Constituent Assembly and was India's First Minister for Law and Justice

WISH TO CONVERT

On May 24, 1956, on the occasion of Buddha Jayanti, he declared in Bombay, that he would adopt Buddhism in October

OPINIONS

In 1950, Ambedkar wrote in the leading Indian Buddhist journal, *Maha Bodhi*, that Buddhism alone among the world's religions is compatible with the ethical and rational demands of contemporary life

Suni and Pushkar team up for Robinhood

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LOW-KEY CELEBRATIONS HIGH SPIRITS

Live-streamed aarti, doorstep delivery of bhog prasadam, virtual Garba classes... Navaratri and Durga Puja festivities in the city will be small but far from being a dull affair this year

Express Features

Come October and one can almost feel the festive fervour in the air. But as Covid-19 cases rise steadily in the city, a cloud of fear looms large over every plan this year. But subdued though they are, Navratri and Durga Puja celebrations don't necessarily have to be an entirely dull affair this year, thanks to the various celebrations planned in the city keeping safety precautions in mind.

Gopalan Signature Mall, with hospitality partner Grand Mercure Bengaluru, is planning a dandiya event, limited to 75 couples. The open-air event will have music by a DJ, live food counters and unlimited mocktails. "We also have special rewards for the best dressed couple and best couple dance," says event manager C Girish Kumar. Early bird tickets for the event are available on platforms like Book My Show and PayTM Insider for ₹1,300.

Other malls in the city, like Inorbit Mall and Phoenix Marketcity, are opting for just festive decor to stay on the safer side. Most cultural associations too are giving large physical events a miss, and are opting for smaller, private celebrations just for their members. Praful Maun, committee member of Shree Indiranagar Gujarati Association, says this is the first time in many years that a public event is not being held. In light of the situation, they have opted to live-stream the idol installation, daily aarti and Garba for nine songs every day, on their Facebook page instead.

Representational pics

> **I'm going to encourage my students to dress up in long skirts or ghagras for the virtual Garba class**
> - Sheena Chaudhary, co-founder, Banjara and Gypsy

And since Navratri is incomplete without Garba, Sheena Chaudhary is conducting an online Bollywood Garba workshop on Oct. 17-18 and 24-25. During the one-and-a-half-hour long event, Chaudhary, who is the co-founder of event management company Banjara and Gypsy, will teach participants the basic footwork, hand movements and techniques, while also teaching them the choreography for some Bollywood Garba numbers. "Just for some added festive vibe, I'm also going to encourage my students to dress up in long skirts or ghagras," says Chaudhary. Tickets for the event (₹250) are available on Insider.in.

The Bengali Association for the Residents of Sarjapur and HSR Area (Barsha) too has small-scale plans for their annual festivities. The daily puja from Oct 22-26 will be limited to members only this year, where slots have to be prebooked through a mobile app. Core committee member Priyanka Sinha Roy explains, "The contactless check-in process will have an online QR code-based registration. The entrance will have an automated thermal scanner, QR code validation and real-time member count displayed on a large LED to ensure touchless check-in. The system would automatically detect if the number exceeds the prescribed limit and restrict entry." Non-members and members of vulnerable age groups, however, can view the proceedings of puja, pushpanjali and the aarti on the group's Facebook and YouTube channels. In the past years, the association has fed more than 300 people at their event but since that is not a possibility this year, they have also tied up with Dunzo to deliver the bhog prasadam to members at their doorsteps. "We are also paying tribute to the 100-year birth anniversary of Satyajit Ray. Cultural evenings showcasing this theme will be shown live online in the evenings, along with musical performances from artists like Srikanto Acharya, Rupankar Bagchi, Anindya Bose Jojo, Nachiketa and others," adds Roy.

'Nepotism accusations have not reached the South yet'

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The lockdown has brought about a paradigm shift in the lives of millions. For **Suhasini Mani Ratnam,** the change seems to have been positive, with her returning to direction after 25 years for an Amazon Prime anthology titled Putham Pudhu Kalai. Her short film is titled *Coffee, Anyone?,* a film that is co-written by husband Mani Ratnam. Suhasini is also joined by her cousins Anu Haasan and Shruti Haasan to act alongside her in this much-anticipated anthology, which is set to premiere on Oct. 16. In the latest edition of Time Pass, a series of webinars organised by The New Indian Express group, Suhasini sat down with senior journalist Kaveree Bamzai to discuss her upcoming film, family, and even politics.

"I wrote about six short stories during the lockdown, and when Amazon approached me. I pitched two of them, and one of them was *Coffee, Anyone?,"* Suhasini says. As the film was made during the lockdown, the resources that were available were limited. "I roped in my father, Charuhasan, my cousin, Anu (Haasan), who lives across the street, and Shruti (Haasan), with whom I had developed a special bond through video calls during the lockdown. My father couldn't be part of the story due to an injury. I even had ideas to rope in my uncle Kamal Haasan but decided against it."

When asked about the nepotism accusation against familial collaborations, Suhasini says she doesn't know why it is happening. "I can't change the fact that I am Charuhasan's daughter and Kamal's niece. I think there is more pressure on us... even more on the next generation like Shruti, Akshara, and my son. But the problem is not in the South yet... that pandemic has not reached us yet."

Suhasini notes with satisfaction that films across languages have become better. "It started with Hindi cinema when people like Farhan Akhtar stepped in. In Tamil cinema, amazing filmmakers like Vetri Maaran, Bala, Selvaraghavan and Karthick Subbaraj came in. But I would say that Malayalam films are now better than ours."

The actor-director also touched upon the status of Mani Ratnam's upcoming magnum opus, *Ponniyin Selvan*, revealing that the director has finished work on 30 per cent of the film. "The remaining can be done only when the situation gets better. There is permission to shoot with 150 people now, but Mani needs at least 500 people to shoot the rest of the film with."

When art meets business

Padmaja Nagarur

Mekin Maheshwari

Express Features

The pandemic has been a game changer for all businesses. While many have faced the brunt of it, there are a few who have evolved and changed their approach. The Great Wave, a Berlin-based virtual festival, happening between Oct. 16-19, will bring some of these individuals from across the world to explore how businesses can be reinvented. With 35 hubs across the world, Artflute, an online marketplace for contemporary art, is hosting The Bangalore Hub as part of the event.

The theme of the event is 'Reimagining Beautiful Businesses' and the live session will feature Bengalureans like Lakshmi Pratury (founder and CEO, Ink), Bhaskar Bhat (former managing director, Titan), Sahar Mansoor (founder and CEO, Bare Necessities), RK Misra (co-founder of Yulu) and Mekin Maheshwari (ex-Flipkart and founder and CEO, Udhyam). "We picked them because they could help change the setback their businesses faced during the pandemic," says Artflute CEO Padmaja Nagarur.

There will also be a musical performance by Jishnu Dasgupta of city-based band Swarathma. Dasgupta and his team will be creating a tune inspired from the stories of the panel. "The event brings together my love for music, storytelling and business. These stories, I hope, will lend themselves beautifully to a piece of music we will craft with them," says Dasgupta, who will craft the tune with producer Varun Murali and lyricist Syed Aslam Noor.

Maheshwari, who will be a part of the live session, says, "I tried to keep my sanity during the lockdown by volunteering or pursuing activities with family. The most exciting part of the event, for me, is music being created live. That's some crazy experiment."

KNOW YOUR CITY

Arun Prasad, city-based history researcher, unravels interesting facts about Bengaluru in this weekly quiz series. So it's time for you to find out how familiar you are with the city, beyond its heritage buildings, IT parks and the pub culture. The quiz will be published every Wednesday. Send answers to bengalurucityexpress @gmail.com with the subject line 'Know Your City Quiz'. Correct answers and names of first three respondents with right answers will be featured in CE on Thursday.

Questions

1. Kempe Gowda I, was a chieftain of a small province under Vijayanagara Empire when he founded Bangalore by erecting a mud fort in 1537. Name the province that is today a prominent residential locality on the outskirts of Bangalore.
2. Post Independence, some prominent roads in most of the Indian cities have been renamed after Mahatma Gandhi. An iconic road in Bangalore too was renamed Mahatma Gandhi Road on Feb. 26, 1948. What was the name of this road earlier?
3. A prominent densely populated locality in Bangalore was earlier known as "Blackpally", probably named after John Blakiston who designed the plan of Bangalore Cantonment. Name the locality.

YOUNG TURKS

> **Bangalore has a dynamic tech and entrepreneurial ecosystem. There is a confluence of technology and innovation making the implementation of ideas possible**
> - Nikhil Kamath, co-founder and CIO, Zerodha and True Beacon

Wealth and the city

Express Features

Garden City, tech hub, pub city... And now most preferred city for business headquarters for young wealth creators. The recently-released IIFL Wealth Hurun India 40 & Under Self-Made Rich List 2020 has a ranking of the self-made Indian-origin entrepreneurs with a wealth of ₹1,000 crore, aged 40 years and under. Bengaluru figures as the city with the highest number of persons on the list. As many as nine entrepreneurs from the list of 17 are city-based, with Nithin Kamath and Nikhil Kamath from Zerodha, ranking first with a wealth of ₹24,000 crore.

Sharing his thoughts on the findings, Anas Rahman Junaid, MD and chief researcher, Hurun India, said some of the names on the list have fully or partly exited their core businesses and are setting up investment funds and backing other young entrepreneurs. "This will have a compounding effect on the growth of disruptive entrepreneurship in India," he said in a statement.

The 17 Indian-origin entrepreneurs have together added wealth close to ₹45,000 crore.

The list also includes Media.net's Divyank Turakhia in second place, Bengaluru-based Udaan's Amod Malviya and Sujeet Kumar in third position, Flipkart's Sachin Bansal and Binny Bansal in seventh rank and Zomato Media's Deepinder Goyal in the 13th position.

The only woman on the list is 39-year-old Devita Saraf, who ranks 16th with a wealth of ₹1,200 crore. Saraf derives her wealth from Vu Technologies, a television manufacturing company, which she founded in 2006.

RICHIE RICH IN NAMMA OORU

Nithin Kamath and Nikhil Kamath (rank 1; ₹24,000 cr)
Co-founders of online trading platform Zerodha, which grew to become India's largest stockbroker by the number of clients.

Amod Malviya and Sujeet Kumar (rank 3; ₹13,100 cr)
Co-founders of B2B commerce company Udaan.

Riju Ravindran (rank 6; ₹7,800 cr)
Brother of Byju Raveendran, who co-founded Byju's in 2011 with his wife Divya Gokulnath. All three have stakes in the online edtech company.

Binny Bansal and Sachin Bansal (rank 7; ₹7,500 cr)
Co-founders of Flipkart. Since their exit from Flipkart, Binny Bansal has been investing in several start-ups as an angel investor and Sachin Bansal has co-founded and is the CEO of Navi, a neo-bank start-up headquartered in Bengaluru.

Bhavish Aggarwal and Ankit Bhati (rank 10; ₹3,500 cr and rank 14; ₹1,600 cr)
Co-founders of Ola. In July 2020, Ola incentivised Aggarwal and Bhati by way of issuing equity shares at a nominal price of ₹10 per share – resulting in a 13% increase in their wealth compared to last year.

FOODIE DELIGHT

Brik Oven is holding Ciabatta Sandwich festival which will feature freshly made Ciabatta bread combined with a host of delectable ingredients: Fig and Prosciutto, Smoked Ribeye and even a breakfast sandwich! **Where:** Brik Oven, Indiranagar **When:** Oct 16-18

MANE READY

Bare Anatomy has introduced its festive range just in time for you to dress up your hair. Individually and freshly crafted for your unique hair profile, this 3-step hair regime makes for a perfect gift to get your hair festival ready. Priced at ₹ 3,097. **Available at:** bareanatomy.in

ART FOR NORMALCY

Ampas Art Gallery has launched Perseverance 2020, an online group show, curated by Neelam Malhotra. "The world has been struggling to keep some normalcy and to deal with the losses that have been sustained over the last few months every industry has offered and most of all humanity," she says. **Where:** On gallery website **When:** Till October 30

CO-ORD STYLES

Amp up your style statement in quirky co-ords this season. Make working-from-home fun by with by dressing-up in Gulabo Jaipur's block printed co-ord sets. Known for their straight sets, anarkali sets, etc in sustainable fashion, their wide collection gives you enough reason to ace your desi style for all occassions. **Available at:** gulabojaipur.com

EXHIBITION Navratri Craft Festival organised by artisans across the country. **WHEN & WHERE** Till October 17 at Sri Sankara Hall. **FOR DETAILS, CALL:** 9383740065

TWEET OF THE DAY

EURASIAN SPOONBILL

- Found across the Paleartic from the United Kingdom to Japan, and North Africa
- The breeding bird sports a yellow breast patch and a crest; they also get a yellow tip to their distinctive bill.
- Besides the occasional grunt or trumpeting, the birds are mostly silent.
- With its population at risk from the loss of habitat and degredation of breeding grounds by pollution in several parts of Europe, an international action plan for the Eurasian Spoonbill was adopted in 2008.
- Eurasian spoonbill international expert group, formed in 1991, is responsible for its implementation.

Photo: Sushmitha Ramakrishnan

QUICK FIX

What's cooking

IN YOUR KITCHEN? We are hungry for recipes with minimum ingredients and maximum flavours. Share your quick-fix with us, along with step-by-step photos, at cityexpresschn@gmail.com.

SMALL ONION THOKKU

INGREDIENTS

- **Small onions:** 500 g
- **Tamarind:** Lemon size
- **Dried red chilies:** 4-6
- Salt
- Asafoetida
- Jaggery and gingelly oil
- Mustard

METHOD

- Saute small onions in gingelly oil for a few minutes.
- Add tamarind, dried red chillies and salt when it starts turning brown.
- Once fried well, set aside for cooling.
- Blend the items in a mixie jar without adding water.
- In the same pan, splutter mustard seeds along with asafoetida.
- Pour the mixture and stir until it becomes thick.
- Add little oil and a tablespoon of jaggery for more taste.

— RK Srividya, Chennai

APPSMART

Entri

Entri is a vernacular learning app to secure a job. There are courses for sales and competitive exam preparations like bank exam. **Available on:** Android

Read Along

This fun speech-based reading tutor app is designed for children aged 5 and above. It helps them improve their reading skills in English and other languages by encouraging them to read. **Available on:** Android

Seesaw Class

Seesaw is a student-driven digital portfolio that inspires your students to do their best work and saves you time. It is free for teachers. **Available on:** Android & iOS

FIT BIT

SALAMBA SIRSHASANA
(SUPPORTED HEADSTAND POSE)

In Sanskrit, 'salamba' means 'with support', 'sirsa' means 'head', and 'asana' means 'pose'. It is a variation of Sirsasana (headstand) and an inversion that displays strength, control and beauty. This pose returns blood to the heart and the brain, which refreshes the cardiovascular and lymphatic systems, and has energising effects on the whole body. It also helps increase memory and concentration over time. Those who engage in a spiritual yoga practice may perform this asana to redirect sexual energies to a higher spiritual usage, which increases wellness and promotes a positive aura. This higher energy is called Ojas. It helps open the Ajna or Third Eye chakra. The reverse position of the body allows energy flow to the third eye, which governs psychic ability, intuition and spirituality.

STEPS

- Come into Marjariasana.
- Place the crown of your head on a blanket between your hands.
- Now, move your hands back towards the sides of your knees. Your hands must form an equilateral triangle with your head. Your forearms should be vertical and the elbows bent.
- Lift your knees, straighten your legs and raise your buttocks.
- Now, walk forward until your thighs are near your chest and your back is almost vertical.
- Slowly raise one foot off the floor, balance and raise the other foot.
- Using your arms for support, raise your legs and straighten the knees.
- Keep your spine and legs in a single vertical line.
- While assuming this final position, retain the breath inside. Then breathe normally.
- Hold the pose for as long as you are comfortable.
- Now, return to the starting position. Slowly fold the legs and lower the body, retaining the breath inside, with control, in the reverse order, until the toes touch the ground.
- Remain knekt down with the head on the floor for a short time. Slowly return to upright position.

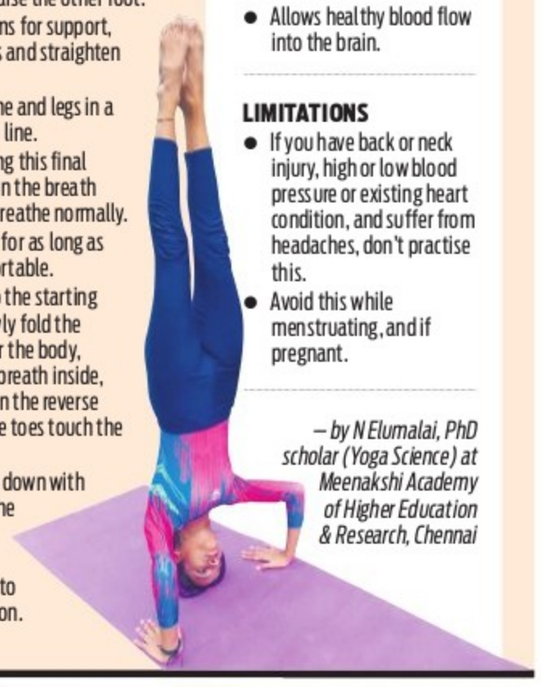
BENEFITS

- May relieve headaches and assist with managing asthma.
- Stimulates the pituitary and pineal glands.
- Strengthens the lungs.
- Improves digestion.
- Strengthens the spine and arms and legs.
- Helps relieve the symptoms of menopause as well.
- Relieves the buildup of fluid in the legs and feet.
- Allows healthy blood flow into the brain.

LIMITATIONS

- If you have back or neck injury, high or low blood pressure or existing heart condition, and suffer from headaches, don't practise this.
- Avoid this while menstruating, and if pregnant.

— by N Elumalai, PhD scholar (Yoga Science) at Meenakshi Academy of Higher Education & Research, Chennai



SOUND BOARD

THE OVERTHINK TANK

From pop-culture amd dating etiquette, human emotions to AI — each week, comedian Surbhi Bagga over-analyses, overshares and totally overcompensates all for the sake of this podcast.

- On Spotify

CITY OF WOMEN

In this podcast, the hosts explore the calculated strategies, backdoor negotiations, and often absurd lengths women go to have fun and feel free in their city. It's a fun, complex, and a bit of a joyride into the minds of women and the streets of Bengaluru.

- On Spotify

GOOD TALK

Hosts Tunde and Sam bring you the latest in the world of sports, pop culture, technology, and entrepreneurship. They also feature fascinating individuals who engage in variety of conversations that includes insights on their careers.

- On Stitcher

THE BELLAS PODCAST

The Bella twins — Nikki and Brie — go head to head in a weekly trivia battle, duke it out over juicy debate topics, kill some rumors, and answer questions tweeted from the Bella Army.

- On Stitcher

THE TRYPOD

The Try Guys have swam with sharks, survived in the wild, and risked their lives for their videos. They dissect their experiences as internet creators and best friends who have made a living failing upwards.

- On Apple Podcasts

POPULAR ON YOUTUBE

ORU THALAI RAAGAM

Subhadra's mother faces criticism from society after her father abandons them. Her mother wishes Subhadra to live a scrupulous life but is shocked when she falls in love with Raja.

- Cast: Usha Rajendar, Shankar Panicker, Roopadevi

RAAGAM THEDUM PALLAVI

Madhu dreams of becoming a film director, but the people in his village make fun of his aspirations. However, his life takes a turn when he decides to go to the city and pursue his dreams.

- Cast: T Rajendar, Jayamalini, Jyothi Lakshmi

ORU THAYIN SABATHAM

After their father's execution and their mother's disappearance, Rajkumar and his sister are adopted by a lawyer. Rajkumar grows up and exacts revenge against his father's killer.

- Cast: T Rajendar, SS Chandran, Srividya

SONNALTHAN KAADHALA

Roja works at a finance company and her colleague, Murali, is madly in love with her. However, Roja rejects his proposal as she is the sole breadwinner of her large family.

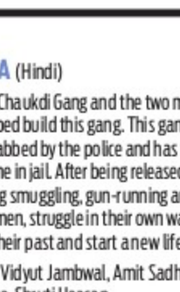
- Cast: Roja, Murali, T Rajendar

Scan this QR code to find out how your favourite celebs are coping with the lockdown.

WHAT'S ON TED TALKS

1 WHY WE LOVE REPETITION IN MUSIC BY ELIZABETH HELLMUTH MARGULIS

How many times does the chorus repeat in your favorite song? How many times have you listened to it? Repetition in music isn't just a feature of Western pop songs; it's a global phenomenon. Why? Elizabeth Hellmuth Margulis walks us through the basic principles of the exposure effect.



2 HOW EXACTLY DOES BINARY CODE WORK? BY JOSÃ© AMÃ©RICO N L F FREITAS

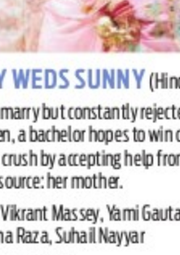
Every time you use the Internet to watch a movie, listen to music, or check directions, your device is using 1 and 0 to describe it, using the language of binary code. JoseÃ© Americo NLF de Freitas explains how binary works.

3 THE NEUROSCIENCE OF PSYCHEDELIC DRUGS, MUSIC & NOSTALGIA BY FREDERICK BARRETT

Neuroscientist Frederick Streeter Barrett discusses the specific neural regions activated when you listen to music and undergo the effects of psychedelic drugs like LSD or psilocybin (magic mushrooms). Learn about his research on how these experiences, when paired with the right conditions, may support emotional growth and healing from mood disorders such as depression and anxiety.

4 AN ILLUSTRATED KINGDOM OF REAL, FANTASTICAL PLANTS BY NIRUPA RAO

Botanical artist Nirupa Rao captures the spirit and beauty of nature in watercolour. With a portfolio of enchanting, scientifically accurate illustrations, she aims to reignite our emotional connection to the environment — and open our eyes to a kingdom hidden in plain sight.



5 WHAT KIDS CAN TEACH ADULTS ABOUT ASKING FOR HELP BY YEYOON KIM

Do you need some help? It's OK to ask, says YeYoon Kim, a former kindergarten teacher who learned from her students how powerful and courageous it can be to reach out for support. Kim explores the happiness and joy that can come from leaning on those you love in times of need.

NOW STREAMING

REGIONAL

GEETHA (Kannada)

Set against the backdrop of the Gokak Chaluvali (the language rights agitation in the 1980s in Karnataka), this movie tells the story of Akash and Geetha whose paths keep crossing as they bump into each other at different stages of their lives.

- Cast: Ganesh, Shanvi Srivastava, Prayaga
- Watch on: Amazon Prime
- Registration: ₹129 per month

BADLAPUR (Hindi)

Raghu loses his wife and son when two bank robbers steal their car in a bid to run. Devastated by the incident, Raghu decides to take revenge on the culprits, Liak and Harman, for killing his family.

- Cast: Varun Dhawan, Yami Gautam, Huma Qureshi, Nawazuddin Siddiqui
- Watch on: Zee 5

GEETHA GOVINDAM (Telugu)

A young lecturer falls for an independent level-headed woman but unfortunately for him, things begin on the wrong foot and he has to try his best to clear the misunderstandings and convince her.

- Cast: Vijay Deverakonda, Rashmika Mandanna, Suubuarajulu, Nagendra Babu
- Watch on: Zee 5

KURUKSHETRA (Kannada)

After losing to the Kauravas in a gamble, the Pandavas go into exile and endure hardship for a number of years. Upon their return, conflict arises over the dynastic succession leading to a war.

- Cast: Arjun Sarja, Sneha, Meghana Raj, Darshan
- Watch on: Zee 5

NEELAKASHAM PACHAKADAL CHUVANNA BHOOMI (Malayalam)

Kasi and Suni decide to go on a road trip from Kerala to Nagaland in search of Kasi's girlfriend. On their way, they experience several life-defining moments.

- Cast: Dulquer Salman, Sunny Wayne, Shane Nigam, Paloma Monappa, Bala Hijam
- Watch on: Disney+Hotstar

All the streaming apps can be accessed on smartphones and smart TVs with Internet connection.

YAARA (Hindi)

Story of Chaukdi Gang and the two men who helped build this gang. This gang of four is nabbed by the police and has to serve time in jail. After being released, the once drug smuggling, gun-running and looting men, struggle in their own ways to escape their past and start a new life.

- Cast: Vidyut Jambwal, Amit Sadh, Vijay Varma, Shruti Haasan
- Watch on: Zee 5

GINNY WEDS SUNNY (Hindi)

Eager to marry but constantly rejected by women, a bachelor hopes to win over a former crush by accepting help from an unlikely source: her mother.

- Cast: Vikrant Massey, Yami Gautam, Ayesha Raza, Suhail Nayyar
- Watch on: Netflix

FOREIGN

THE DEATH OF STALIN (English)

When tyrannical dictator Joseph Stalin dies in 1953, his parasitic cronies square off in a frantic power struggle to become the next Soviet leader. Among the contenders are the dweebish Georgy Malenkov, the wily Nikita Khrushchev and Lavrenti Beria — the sadistic secret police chief. As they bumble, brawl and back-stab their way to the top, the question remains — just who is running the government?

- Cast: Steve Buscemi, Jason Isaacs, Simon Russell Beale, Jeffrey Tambor, Michael Palin
- Watch on: Amazon Prime

HUBIE HALLOWEEN (English)

It's October 31st in Salem, Massachusetts, and a town's eccentric, devoted community volunteer and the good-natured object of his fellow citizen's derision and meanest pranks, finds himself in the midst of a real investigation, for a real murder.

- Cast: Adam Sandler, Noah Schnapp, Julie Bowen, Paris Berelc
- Watch on: Netflix

A HIDDEN LIFE (English, German, Italian)

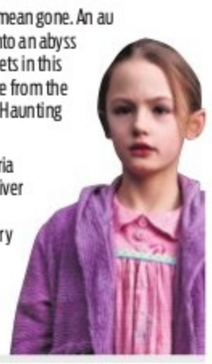
Austrian farmer Franz Jägerstätter faces the threat of execution for refusing to fight for the Nazis during World War II.

- Cast: August Diehl, Valerie Pachner, Matthias Schoenaerts, Bruno Ganz
- Watch on: Disney+Hotstar

THE HAUNTING OF BLY MANOR (English, series)

Dead doesn't mean gone. An au pair plunges into an abyss of chilling secrets in this gothic romance from the creator of The Haunting of Hill House.

- Cast: Victoria Pedretti, Oliver Jackson-Cohen, Henry Thomas
- Watch on: Netflix



Zee5: ₹ 99 per month
Amazon Prime: ₹ 129 per month
Netflix: ₹ 199 per month
Disney+Hotstar: ₹ 399 per year

LOOKING AT LOVE

• Express Features

Written in a way that each section in the book has a theme, *And... Perhaps Love* (Penguin Random House India, ₹275) helps the reader shatter labels associated with love. Author Sanil Sachar, the founding partner of Gurugram-based incubator, Huddle, says the most challenging part of writing his fifth work on such a diverse topic was to find six beginnings to the story. Excerpts from an interview:

How has the book captured the essence of the emotion of love?
Vulnerable in every positive sense! I think the moment we openly speak and write about love, people start to believe you know the subject inside out, but then they also question what you know versus what they have encountered. To speak about love in the manner the book is created, definitely was nerve wracking to begin with because it was very experimental to remove all elements of characters from the book. This way, while I wanted to get the reader as close to being the character, love as a subject has different reactions per person.

Does the book have any real-life inspiration?
Fiction is typically a term given to reality we try to hide... so, yes, there is reality in this book too. However, not just my reality but those I know and several strangers I've collected information from while having conversations over my travels. I end up holding conversations with strangers at bars and cafes and make notes from our conversations. With *And... Perhaps Love*, it was easy because any conversation either revolves around beginning with love or ends up in love.

How does the book proceed?
We all have a different approach to love, so for a reader to read it in my way, would lead to tunnel vision. Therefore, writing it in a manner that helps the reader become the protagonist, and pick up the book to begin with six different ways, was a challenging but fun experience at our end. Books are typically read as per the character but here I want to let the reader play protagonist.

How easy it was to include prose and poetry in a single book?
Definitely not easy, but I loved mixing all forms of literature in one because it makes it easier to get as close to the subject of love in all forms through this amalgamation of writing styles. I've experimented with this approach before and realised it helps make the work more conversational, which is essential for any book. As the writing styles utilises short and long form, marrying prose and poetry was easy, but the structuring to ensure the reader can read the book with six different beginnings and end around 50 ways was a new challenge.

As a writer, what inspires you the most?
Challenging the norm and forms of literature, whilst inspiring my readers to play the protagonist and take the words forward in whichever way they'd like to recreate it. As a writer, diving into unchartered territories inspires me each day to pick up what is harder to do and harder to speak about.

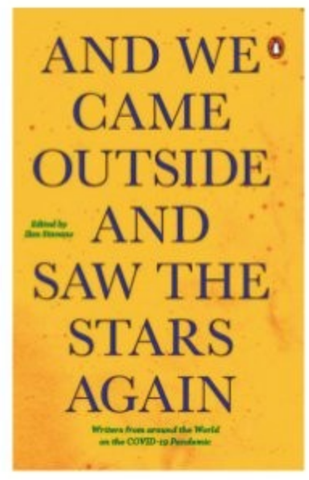
What are the intriguing things you found that you have mentioned in the book?
Love is the most powerful tool we have. Like a pendulum, it dictates how our time will be spent, and like oxygen, it is the reason we live. Without oxygen, we see no light and without love, well, there is no life.

What kind of research went into writing the book?
It's one of the few books where there was no structure to the research. Simply because the subject is as deep as the ocean, and no amount of research would be enough. Therefore, I've been utilising the research from reading books on love, how people perceive love (typically romanticised) and conversations with strangers around the world. Of course, lastly, personal experiences!

"The moment we openly speak and write about love, people start to believe you know the subject inside out, but then they also question what you know versus what they have encountered
—**Sanil Sachar,** author and founding partner, Huddle

TURNING PAGES

'INCOMPREHENSIBLY, COMPASSION IS SCARCE'



DEAR ITALY, yesterday I should have landed in Rome to reunite with my son, who goes to school there. I should have returned home and headed out to the piazza to shop for food. I would have undoubtedly run into a few neighbors and friends on the streets. I'd have said hello, and they'd have said, "welcome back."

It's just that my son, along with millions of kids throughout Italy and elsewhere, doesn't go to school anymore. A few days ago he unexpectedly and urgently returned to America, and shortly thereafter Trump banned travel from Europe, a scornful and already pointless gesture. On the one hand I'm truly relieved my son is back, and that both my children are under the same roof during this time of deep uncertainty. And yet not returning to Rome this morning, not setting out for the market, even at the height of this crisis, pains me. It's the same distress a daughter would feel at not being able to run to her gravely ill parent and lend a hand, because she feels compelled to, because she can do no less.

For a week now I've done nothing but follow the news in Italy and reach out to Italian friends, both in Italy and in the United States. My friends in Italy tell me things aren't looking too good. They send me photos of empty streets all shuttered up. They tell me that the market stalls in Piazza San Cosimato have thinned out, and that supermarkets have signs asking people to stay a meter away from one another. I can picture all of this, more or less. They tell me they're afraid, that they're stunned, that the situation is brutally serious. And up until a few days ago, when I was still planning to board that plane, many told me, "Jhumpa, don't come."

I absorb their fear and feel equally stunned. At the same time, I absorb their courage, their patience, and their determination to battle and defeat this invisible enemy. Amid it all I laugh like mad, right along with them, when they share the hilarious memes spreading on social media. This is why Italy alone—which has already taught me so much—is now showing me how to face the coronavirus: with chin up, discipline, a touch of irony, and a healthy dose of optimism. And I'm gladly infected by their attitude.

Here in America alarmism is on the rise and friends are telling me: thank god your son got out! They have a point, sure—it's better the family can be together in times like this, otherwise things would have been even harder.

And yet I'm nettled by such remarks.

Italy remains my point of arrival. For me, Italy is still a balm. A week ago, when I advised my son to come back, I told him Italy needs fewer people out and about right now, that we need to stand back and give the country the time and space it needs to recover. What I don't understand is the attitude some people are displaying toward Italy now that it's on lockdown, struck by an unprecedented crisis. It fills many with fear, even dread. Incomprehensibly, compassion is scarce—the US president expresses none whatsoever. I'm ashamed of it.

I still feel protected by Italy—even an Italy on its knees, bowed by such utter isolation. It's precisely now that I feel Italy standing by my side, sharing—despite the ocean between us, despite Trump's travel ban—its strength and dignity. It continues sharing its affection and advice, guiding and protecting me and my family.

Extracted from* Letter to Italy *by Jhumpa Lahiri from the book* And We Came Outside And Saw The Stars again *with permission from Penguin Random House India

Immersed in stories, online

With love for reading augmented during the Covid-induced lockdown, here's an "immersive fiction" platform that marries the written word with multimedia elements to give one a real-life simulation on your smartphone – an average 15-minute read that has fast overtaken ebooks and has clocked up over 500 writers, more than 1,000 stories and one lakh users in the past six months.

The four main genres of romance, horror, thriller and drama on the Plop Stories platform "bring you immersive fiction that goes beyond written content and merges with visual content, bypassing traditional book distributors. Writers can publish their interactive stories directly on Plop. Because Plop is mobile-first it provides writers a multitude of options to create highly immersive content," its co-founder Vineet Shetty, who has a degree in software engineering and is also an alumnus of the Indian School of Business, told IANS in an interview.

"The stories marry the written word with multimedia elements and give readers a real-life simulation on smartphones. Readers can take decisions and interact with the characters of the stories, making it an extremely immersive experience," Shetty added.

Vineet Shetty, Anushka Shetty

Thus, not only does Plop produce its own stories – Plop Originals – "but it also enables creators to dabble with interactive content gaming and create their own masterpieces. We have a platform. So people create the stories based on the capabilities and once it gets approved it's shown in the app.

"They come and freely produce content of their choice. Based on the number of stories unlocked the writers get paid. As of now there are writers who are making $400 (₹ 29,000) a month from Plop," Shetty explained.

–IANS

BOOK SHELF

Solved : How other countries cracked the world's biggest problems (and we can too)

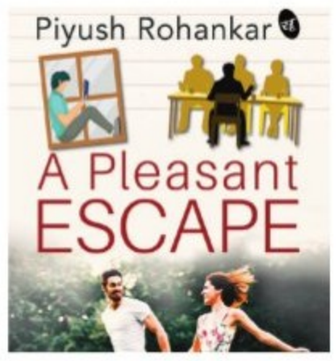
Author: Andrew Wear; **No. of pages:** 336
Denmark is set to achieve 100 per cent renewable energy by 2030 and Iceland has topped the gender equality ranking for a decade and counting. Have you ever wondered how have these places achieved remarkable outcomes? In the book, author Andrew Wear bring together for the first time tried and tested solutions to society's most pressing problems, from violence to inequality. The book is informative, accessible and revelatory, and is a celebration of power of human ingenuity to make the future brighter for everyone.

The Marvel Studios Story : How a Failing Comic Book Publisher Became a Hollywood Superhero

Author: Andrew Wear, **No. of pages:** 210
When we speak about world's most successful companies, The Marvel Studios surely makes it to the top of the list. The book decodes it's competitive strategies, workplace culture, and daily business practices that enabled a struggling comic book publisher to parlay the power of myth and storytelling to become one of history's most successful movie studios. It's characters ruling the pop culture world and they are known for creating brilliant multi-layered worlds and storylines that allow their audiences to escape into a fantasy . But, behind those visionaries is a well planned strategy and planning.

The Diary of My Love

Author: Deesha Sangani, **No. of pages:** 176
The story of a young girl Anushkaa, who is ready to step into the corporate world. When she meets Ayush on her first day at work she instantly take a liking towards him, while Ayush too, is smitten by her. While it seems life will be perfect thats when destiny played it's course and both go on different paths of their respective lives. But they meet again after four years, with broken hearts. Anushkaa's diary is her one true companion, holding the secrets that no one will ever know.



A Pleasant Escape

Author: Piyush Rohankar
No. of pages: 232
The speaks about the story of Alok, who is preparing for UPSC Civil Service. While he thought it will be the toughest exam of his life, his journey turns out to be much more than just books and classes. In this process he finds friends for a lifetime, experiences love, regret and shattered dreams. The suspense thriller book, author Piyush Rohankar also tried to base the story on the lives of IAS Aspirants.

URBAN BOURBON
Hriday Ranjan
Writer, comedian

Ready for the reel

This Friday, cinema halls will finally open to the public after a break of seven months. As the final stage of the gradual unlock process, cinema halls were the final bastion of restrictions that the government had imposed.

However, the government has also imposed new rules regarding the functioning of cinema theatres. They will be allowed to operate at 50 per cent capacity (which was already the case with most flop movies). Only packaged food is to be sold in the cafeterias, and provisions for sanitisation and social distancing will be made.

As a film critic, this decision implies that it's 'back to work' for people like me. While I'm glad that the country is finally finding its way back to normalcy, I have mixed feelings about going back to a theatre to review movies. Over the last six months, film reviewers had an extended vacation. Since all the big releases happened on OTT platforms, we could watch a movie at home. I could sip beer or eat food while enjoying a film, without mortgaging my ancestral property. There was no frantic note-taking and scribbling – an OTT allows you to revisit important scenes and elucidate eloquently. With cinema halls opening up, reviewers will have to wake up early on Fridays and get back to work.

Representative picture Pic: **Shriram BN**

But the question remains – with the newly imposed rules, will the experience of cinema-viewing be the same? Spare a thought for the young college students who visit cinema halls for practical classes on the birds and the bees. What use do they have for social distancing when society has already distanced them enough?

The Indian government also missed a trick by not allowing viewers to carry their own tiffin boxes for food. After decades of consuming overpriced sandwiches at cinema theatres, I am convinced that the only way we can increase footfall in Indian cinemas is by allowing families to bring their large metal tiffin boxes. After all, aren't most of our films packaged as family entertainers? And there is nothing more enjoyable for an Indian family, than a family picnic!

When we speak of cinema halls, we usually imagine urban multiplexes. But most of India watches its films in single-screen theatres. How do they adapt to the new rules? How do fans resist the urge to hug each other and dance in the aisles when the 'hero-introduction' song comes on screen? What happens to the fans who throw papers at the screen? How does one whistle with a mask on? And what about the friends who share a cigarette during the interval? Indian cinema is mostly built on adulation and fandom; will it be the same without the hero worship?

We often hear that Indians are united by the two Cs of Cinema and Cricket. Cricket has adapted to the new abnormal, and the IPL has reinstated a sense of routine in our lives. One needs to see how the second C – cinema – adapts to the changing times to fight the biggest C of them all – the Coronavirus.

As Friday approaches, I am reminded of the feeling of returning to school after summer vacations. Only, it was a case of summer vacations extending and merging into winter vacations. The thought of buying new pens and note pads fills me with dread. But as the Indian government clearly believes, the second show must go on!

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A poster from *Robinhood*

Robinhood brings together Suni and Pushkar Films for second time

The director and producer will launch a new hero in their latest project, which will be started in 2021

CE Features

Avatar Purusha director Suni and producer Pushkar Mallikarjunaiah to be teaming up for the second time. The duo will be collaborating for a commercial entertainer, for which they have fixed the title as Robinhood. An announcement on this was made ahead of the director's birthday on Wednesday. The director-producer, who have confirmed their collaboration, have not revealed details about the cast, including the hero who will be headlining the project. However, *CE* has learned that the *Simple Agi Ondh Love Story* director will be launching a newcomer in the film. While *Robinhood* is described as someone who steals from the rich and helps the poor, it's not known if Suni has come up with a similar concept for his new venture. The project is expected to go on floors in 2021.

Pushkar Mallikarjunaiah

Suni is currently in the last phase of the shooting of *Avatar Purusha*. Shooting for the film, starring Sharan and Ashika Ranganath, resumed on Sept. 14 and the team is left with 20 more days of shooting. *Avatar Purusha* also features Srinagar Kitty in an important role as a black magician called Kumara, who hails from Odisha. It also has Sai Kumar, Sudharani and Bhavya in the cast.

Suni

ANU PRABHAKAR, ADITHYA MENON JOIN *JAMES* CAST

Puneeth Rajkumar

The two actors, along with Telugu artiste Srikanth, will be seen in a pivotal role in the Chethan Kumar-directed commercial entertainer starring Puneeth Rajkumar

A Sharadhaa

Puneeth Rajkumar, who wrapped up shooting for Santhosh Anandram's *Yuvarathnaa* on Oct. 12, has taken no time to resume shooting for his next project, *James*, the sets of which he will be joining on Wednesday. While the commercial entertainer, directed by Chethan Kumar, will star Telugu actor Srikanth in a prominent role, it has also come to light that another South Indian actor Adithya Menon will be the next to join the cast. The actor, who has worked in Malayalam, Tamil and Telugu cinema, first faced the camera in a Kannada TV serial. For Adithya, who has also been associated with movies like *Shivajinagara*, *Jaguar*, *Kolara* and *Seetharama Kalyana*, *James* will be his latest outing in Kannada, which will have him playing a major character.

Another interesting artiste coming on board for *James* will be actor Anu Prabhakar. Having worked in 55 films mostly starring top actors in Kannada, this will, however, be the first time she will work with Puneeth. Anu has recently completed shooting for Aarna Saadya's *Saaravajra*, a woman-centric film, which is ready for release.

James is produced by Kishore Pathikonda and has music composed by Charan Raj. Director Chethan Kumar has also written the film's story, screenplay, and dialogues.

Anu Prabhakar

Adithya Menon

Ayushmann Khurrana: Kishore Kumar inspired me to attempt *Dream Girl*

CE Features

On the 33rd death anniversary of Kishore Kumar, today, Bollywood actor Ayushmann Khurrana remembered the playback legend, and thanked the late singer for giving him the confidence to carry off one of the most unusual roles in his career.

Ayushmann referred to his 2019 comedy, *Dream Girl*, where he plays a man with the unique ability to do female voice impersonation, which earns him success in life and also unwanted trouble. The legendary Kishore Kumar was known for his ability to sing in different voices, including the female voice.

"When you look back at his film *Half Ticket*, in the song '*Aake seedhi lagi dil pe*' he sang in both male and female voices! Not many know this but the fact that he could pull it off with ease made me confident that I could do *Dream Girl*. I drew courage from this because I had a reference point in Kishore Kumar, who had pulled it off," Ayushmann said.

Kishore Kumar's ability to take risks has inspired Ayushmann. "Kishore Kumar is and will always be an institution, and he has been a huge inspiration. He is a legend because he was always creatively restless and fearless, and I love that about his legacy. He was always the one to experiment and take risks," the actor said.

Ayushmann said that the legendary singer has shaped him as an artiste. "His versatility and genius are huge motivators and he has set high standards for all of us. Whenever I face a creative block, I think of Kishore sir and I snap out of my state. That's how deep an impact Kishore Kumar has had on my life," he said.

Donal Bisht: People don't treat sex workers like human beings

CE Features

Actor Donal Bisht, known for her performances in shows like *Ek Deewana Tha*, *Roop-Mard Ka Naya Swaroop* and *Dil Toh Happy Hai Ji*, recently joined hands with Rohit Verma in his initiative of empowering sex workers called *Sonagachi*.

Asked what made her take part in the initiative, Donal says, "When I came across the thought that people don't treat them as a human, whereas they are as normal as you and I are. So before helping them, I started talking to them nicely and then the whole idea of helping them and encouraging them came into the picture. The main idea was to help them realize that they are a part of our society. And spreading love is one of the greatest acts of kindness in today's time."

She further adds, "Our aim was also to remove them from that situation and getting them into professions where they will enjoy working and most importantly where they won't be forced to do anything against their will"

On the professional front, Donal will be seen essaying a pop-sensation named Sasha Pink in her upcoming web series *The Socho Project*. The musical series marks Donal's debut in the digital space.

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— **Donal Bisht**, actor

Mindy Kaling, Ben Kingsley, Lucy Boynton join heist thriller, *Lockdown*

CE Features

Mindy Kaling, Lucy Boynton, and Ben Kingsley join the cast of heist thriller, *Lockdown*. The shooting of the Doug Liman directorial is currently underway in London.

Lockdown stars Anne Hathaway and Chiwetel Ejiofor as a sparring couple who call a truce to attempt a high-risk, high-stakes jewellery heist at one of the world's most exclusive department store, Harrods.

Screenwriter Steven Knight, known for his work on films like The Hundred-Foot Journey and TV series, Peaky Blinders has penned the project.

The film also features Ben Stiller, Stephen Merchant, Dulee Hill, Jazmyn Simons, and Mark Gatiss in the cast.

PJ van Sandwijk is producing with Alison Winter and Michael Lesslie.

His Dark Materials Season 2 to premiere this November

CE Features

The second season of *His Dark Materials* is set to premiere on November 16 on HBO. Based on Philip Pullman's three-part epic novel series of the same name, the show is a HBO and BBC co-production.

His Dark Materials follows two children — Lyra Belacqua (Dafne Keen) and Will Parry (Amir Wilson) — who embark on a magical adventure through parallel universes in which science, theology and magic are entwined.

According to Deadline, the announcement comes as the team behind the series, including writer Jack Thorne, is readying scripts for a potential third season, which is yet to be commissioned.

Returning cast members include James McAvoy, Ruth Wilson, Ariyon Bakare, Andrew Scott, Will Keen, Ruta Gedmintas and Lin-Manuel Miranda. Terence Stamp, Jade Anouka and Simone Kirby are joining the series in the upcoming season.

His *Dark Materials* is produced by Bad Wolf in association with New Line Cinema for BBC One and HBO.